



the well

Order of Worship

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

May 5, 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.*

Sixth Sunday of Easter **The Holy Eucharist**

five o'clock in the evening

THE REV. RAY WILSON, *Affiliated Clergy*
Celebrant

JOEL GOODLOE
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 AND IRISH 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. O change - less Christ, for - ev - er new, who
2. As once you spoke by ___ plain and hill or
3. As wind and storm their ___ mas - ter heard and
4. And as of old to ___ all who prayed your



walked our ___ earth - ly ___ ways, ___ still draw our hearts as ___
taught by ___ shore and ___ sea, ___ so be to - day our ___
his com - mand ful - filled, ___ may trou - bled hearts re -
heal - ing ___ hand was ___ shown, so be your touch up -



once you drew the hearts of ___ oth - er days.
teach - er still, O Christ of ___ Gal - i - lee.
ceive your word, the tem - pest - tossed be stilled.
on us laid, un - seen but ___ not un - known.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

God of abiding love, you choose us as your servants and dare to call us friends: take our fragmented hearts, commanding them to love, making whole our joy, our life reborn in you; through Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for us. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PSALM 98

Cantate Domino

Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Please stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:9–17

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

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

Ga - ther a - round, for the ta - ble is spread, wel - come the food and
rest! Wide is our cir - cle with Christ at the head,
he is the hon - oured guest. Learn of his love,
grow in his grace, pray for the peace he gives.
Here at this meal, here in this place, know that his spi - rit
lives! Once he was known in the break - ing of bread,
shared with the cho - sen few. Mul - ti - tudes ga - thered and
by him were fed, so he will feed us too.

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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. This is my will, my new com - mand, that love should
2. There is no great - er love than this: to lay your
4. You did not choose me: I chose you, ap - point - ed
5. All that you ask the Fat - her now for my name's

dwell a - mong you all. This is my will, that you should
life down for your friends. You are my friends if you o -
you, and chose you all, each one to go and bear much
sake you shall re - ceive. This is my will, my one com -

love as I have shown that I love you.
bey what I've com - mand - ed you to do.
fruit, fruit that will last beyond all time.
mand, that love should dwell in each, in all.'

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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. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? ____
4. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. ____



Will you go where you don't know and ne - ver be the same? ____
Let me turn and fol - low you and ne - ver be the same. ____



Will you let my love be shown, ____ will you let my name be known, ____
In your com - pa - ny I'll go ____ where your love and foot - steps show. ____



Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me? ____
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me. ____

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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 SCOTTISH TUNE

The Book of Remembrance

This week we remember Judith D. Mood.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of James Ulmer by Dan and Joan McNamara.

Becky Baxter, *Music Coordinator and Harpist for The Well*

Dr. Kimberly Clark, *flautist*

Ellie Herrera, *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.*


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Welcome

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Announcements

- ❖ **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.
- ❖ **Join the Reception Committee** • The Reception Committee seeks volunteers to assist with the upcoming Pentecost Evensong reception on Sunday, May 19. Donate homemade or store-bought finger foods, cookies, or other treats. Visit the Cloister table on May 12 to sign up or learn more about the committee's work via www.christchurchcathedral.org/hospitality
- ❖ **Bishop Monterroso visits the Cathedral** • On Sunday, May 12, Bishop Hector Monterroso will be with us to confirm Cathedral Youth at both the 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. services. The Bishop will also join Dean Katz at the Dean's Hour at 10 o'clock in Reynolds Hall for a conversation on ministry.
- ❖ **Casa Mateo Grand Opening** • Our Cathedral family are all invited to help celebrate the grand opening of Casa Mateo! Join the fun on Saturday, May 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; there will be food, crafts, guided tours and fellowship as Casa Mateo prepares to welcome their first guests. Kindly RSVP via www.christchurchcathedral.org/casamateo
- ❖ **MOC Blood Drive** • On Sunday, May 19, the Mission Outreach Council hosts a spring blood drive from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. All it takes is one blood donation to save up to 3 lives! Sign up in advance at www.christchurchcathedral.org/giveblood
- ❖ **Pentecost Evensong** • Christ Church Cathedral celebrates Pentecost on Sunday, May 19, with a special Choral Evensong featuring the Cathedral Choir at 5 p.m. An organ recital with James Mellichamp will precede at 4:15 p.m., and a reception will follow in Reynolds Hall. To learn more about this and other evensongs, visit: www.christchurchcathedral.org/evensong
- ❖ **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).

*For more information about these and other events
at the Cathedral, visit www.christchurchcathedral.org*

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