



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024
11 a.m.

We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. Since 1839, this Christian community has gathered for worship. To learn more about the ministries we share in this place, you are invited to fill in one of the welcome cards found in the pew rack. We are glad you are here!

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

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

THE RT. REV. HECTOR MONTERROSO, *Assistant Bishop*
Celebrant

*The Liturgy is found in The Book of Common Prayer (BCP).
Hymns and service music (S) are in The Hymnal 1982.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 547 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

CHORAL INTROIT

Tone VII

V. Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia;
Unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord have I sought;
thy face, Lord, will I seek;
R. O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN 214

Llanfair

The Word of God

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen. *BCP page 323*
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY AND THE SUMMARY

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GLORIA S 202

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

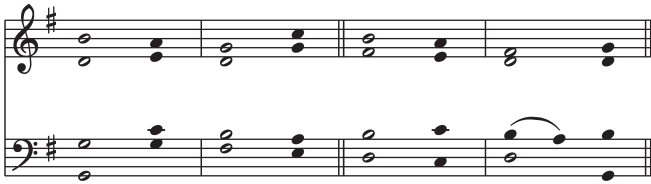
Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Bishop Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

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



Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the / wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats
of the / scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the / LORD,
and they meditate on his law day and / night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not / wither;
everything they do shall / prosper.

It is not so with the / wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows a/way.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when
judgment / comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the / righteous.

For the LORD knows the way of the / righteous,
but the way of the wicked is / doomed.

THE SECOND READING

1 John 5:9–13

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 483

St. Magnus

ALLELUIA

Tone II



Al - le - lú - ia.

V. **Alleluia.** If anyone loves me, he will keep my word;

R. And my Father will love him, and we will come to him. **Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:6–19

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Hector Monterroso, Assistant Bishop

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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

The Holy Communion

Offerings of alms and bread and wine are received.

AT THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)

God is gone up with a triumphant shout: the Lord with sounding trumpets' melodies: sing praise, sing praises out, unto our King sing praise seraphic-wise! Lift up your heads, ye lasting doors, they sing, and let the King of Glory enter in. Methinks I see heaven's sparkling courtiers fly, in flakes of glory down him to attend, and hear heart-cramping notes of melody surround his chariot as it did ascend; mixing their music, making ev'ry string more to enravish as they this tune sing.

— *Edward Taylor (1642-1729)*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II, page 340

SURSUM CORDA S 112

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S 114

Healey Willan

The People remain standing.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER CONTINUES

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FRACTION ANTHEM

Bishop Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI S 158

Healey Willan

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.

AT THE ADMINISTRATION

ANTHEM

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Coelos ascendit hodie
Jesus Christus Rex Gloriam:
Sedet ad Patris dexteram,
Gubernat coelum et terram.
Iam finem habent omnia
Patris Davidis carmina.
Iam Dominus cum Domino
Sedet in Dei solio:
In hoc triumpho maximo
Benedicamus Domino.
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas,
Deo dicamus gratias,
Alleluia. Amen.

*Today into the heavens has ascended
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Alleluia!
He sits at the Father's right hand,
and rules heaven and earth, Alleluia!
Now have been fulfilled all of
Father David's songs,
Now God is with God, Alleluia!
He sits upon the royal throne of God,
in this his greatest triumph, Alleluia!
Let us bless the Lord:
Let the Holy Trinity be praised,
let us give thanks to the Lord,
Alleluia! Amen.*

— *Den Himmel aufgefahren ist, 14th century German hymn*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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THE BLESSING

HYMN 450

Coronation

THE DISMISSAL

Bishop Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

John Cook (1918-1984)

*Loose plate offerings from today's services
will be given to the Bishop's discretionary fund.*

*Cathedral tours highlighting the lore of the building, its windows, its woodwork
and more are given by a guide each Sunday following the 11 o'clock service.
Look for the guide under the crucifixion window at the rear of the nave.*

Readings this Week from the *Revised Common Lectionary*

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 1:15–17, 21–26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus — for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us — one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 5:9–13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

THE GOSPEL

John 17:6–19

Jesus prayed for his disciples, “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for

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the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The Book of Remembrance

This week we remember Anne Wier Jones.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Mrs. James A. Haralson and
Mrs. Gary P. Pearson by their family Gary, Jim, and Mary Bain.

Welcome

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Announcements

❖ TODAY

Sign up to be a Blood Donor • On Sunday, May 19, the Mission Outreach Council hosts a blood drive from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. All it takes is one blood donation to save up to 3 lives! Visit the cloister table today to sign up in advance or register via: www.christchurchcathedral.org/giveblood

Join the Reception Committee • The Reception Committee seeks volunteers to assist with the Pentecost Evensong reception on Sunday, May 19. Donate homemade or store-bought finger foods, cookies, or other treats. Visit the Cloister table today to sign up, or learn more about the committee's work via www.christchurchcathedral.org/hospitality

❖ **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. - 2 p.m.; there will be food, crafts, guided tours and fellowship as Casa Mateo prepares to welcome their newest guests. Kindly RSVP via www.christchurchcathedral.org/casamateo

❖ **Visit with Dean Emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral** • On Sunday, May 19, we will be joined by the Very Rev. Robert Willis, dean emeritus of Canterbury Cathedral. Dean Willis will preach at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 1 p.m., as well as join Dean Katz in conversation at the 10 o'clock hour in Reynolds Hall.

❖ **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 will precede at 4:15 p.m. featuring James Mellichamp; and a reception will follow in Reynolds Hall. To learn more about this and other evensongs, visit: www.christchurchcathedral.org/evensong

❖ **Cathedral Reads Kickoff** • Enjoy another great book with your Cathedral family! This summer, we'll explore Markus Zusak's novel *The Book Thief*. On Sunday, June 2, our 2024 Cathedral Reads program kicks off with a bi-lingual Zoom at 6 p.m. To learn more and sign up visit: www.christchurchcathedral.org/cathedralreads

❖ **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.



❖ **Childcare is available during worship services** • Follow Agnus the Lamb to the Jones Building where you can find childcare for various ages (6 weeks–5 yrs). Have questions? Contact KariAnn Lessner at kalesner@christchurchcathedral.org



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

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