



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL  
CONNECTICUT'S CATHEDRAL

Christ Church Cathedral  
Hartford, Connecticut  
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 11, 2024

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*We acknowledge the Tunxis, Sicaog, Wangunks and Poquonook people, the traditional custodians on the land on which Christ Church Cathedral is located. We pay respect to their elders, past and present. We respect their people and traditions as a continued call to live out the ministry of reconciliation to which we are called.*

*Welcome to our community! Wherever life is taking you, know that we are honored by your presence and invite you to experience God's life-giving grace with us at Christ Church Cathedral. As a community of faith we celebrate God's graciousness by proclaiming in word and deed that God's love is abundant and unconditional. At the Lord's Table, all baptized are welcome to receive Communion. Please turn off your cell phones once the prelude begins. Should you like to speak with a priest following the service, please contact an usher.*

*Hymns are in The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS).*

*At the 8 a.m. service, hymns and the second reading are omitted.*

*The Gloria is recited at the 8 a.m. service. It can be found on page 356 of the Book of Common Prayer.*

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### The Liturgy of the Word

**Prelude** ~ Halle, halle, hallelujah

*arr. John A. Behnke*

**Processional Hymn** ~ 1982 Hymnal # 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

*Salzburg*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

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** ~ LEVAS II # 243

*Carl Haywood*

### The Collect

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the reading of Holy Scripture.*

## A Reading From ~ 2 Kings 2:1-12

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

*Lector*            The word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 50:1-6 *Deus deorum ~ Sung by the Choir*

*Jonathan Battishill*

- 1        The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
          he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2        Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
          God reveals himself in glory.
- 3        Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
          before him there is a consuming flame,  
          and round about him a raging storm.
- 4        He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
          to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5        "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
          those who have made a covenant with me  
          and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6        Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
          for God himself is judge.

## A Reading From ~ 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

*Lector*           The word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Gradual Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 221** This little light of mine

## The Gospel ~ Mark 9:2-9

*Deacon*           The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

*Deacon*           The Gospel of our Savior.

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

**The Sermon ~** The Rev. Roxana Videla, Pastoral Assistant

*Following the Sermon, the Celebrant stands. Please stand as you are able.*

## 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

## Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons. We pray especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Jeff and Laura our Bishops; Lina, our Dean; Roxana, our Pastoral Assistant; Bonnie, our Deacon; Jay, Tim and Ranjit, our Associate Clergy; and for our Congregations Committee and Ministry Team. We also pray for our sister diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney.

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble. We pray especially for Bishop Michael Curry, Viola, Will, Kathleen R., Bodhi, Connie, Joan Z, Maïa, Lee, Almeta, Camille, Gerard, Lourdes, Lenora, Elaine, Alzi P., James P., Ardyce, Mike R., Jennifer, Andrew, Benjamin, Camden, Adrienne, Felicity, Sherrod, Graham, Richard, Mark, Bill, Betty Jo, Michael, Jason, Andrew, Jeannie, Denise, Shelly N., Dennis, Charlene, Marcia, Sean, Mary, Diane, Andrew, David, Shaun, Thomas, Alberto, Kelley, Allison, Dina, Aubrey, Bill, Grace, Ben, Frank, Eric, Nelson, Joan, Treviana, Bob, Tyrone, Lillian, Alexandra, Locksley, Todd, Rosa, Miguel, Javon, Debbie, Julian, Mercedes, Nancy, Rose, Samy, Eugenia,

and those we now name in our hearts;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*Celebrant*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Confession of Sin

*The Deacon says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Celebrant stands and says*

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.**

## Healing Prayer

## Healing Anthem

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Welcome and Announcements** ~ The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Cathedral Dean

## Offertory Sentence

**Offertory Anthem** ~ I want to walk as a child of the light

*arr. Tom Trenney*

**Doxology** ~ LEVAS II # 56 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

## The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer B (Expansive Language)

*Celebrant* God 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus ~ LEVAS II # 255

Grayson Warren Brown

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

*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 celebrant leads a prayer for spiritual communion for those worshipping online.*

### Act of Spiritual Communion

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.

*All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. When coming forward to receive Holy Communion, please follow the direction given by the ushers. If you are unable to come to the front, please let an usher know and the Sacrament will be brought to you.*

Communion Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 18 Swing low, sweet chariot

### Prayer after Communion

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Blessing

Recessional Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 174 Let the heav'n light shine on me

### The Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude ~ Toccata on Great Day

*Adolphus Hailstork*

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We would like to keep you informed of the amazing blessings we experience in this house of prayer. Please introduce yourself to Dean Howell, Rev. Videla, or Deacon Matthews.

Please join us for Fellowship Hour in the Cathedral House Auditorium following the service.



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An Episcopal Church within the Anglican Communion

All faithful lay people and clergy of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut

The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey W. Mello, Bishop Diocesan

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The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Cathedral Dean

The Rev. Roxana Videla, Pastoral Assistant

The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon

The Rev. Jay Cooke, Priest Associate

The Rev. Canon Timothy Hodapp, Priest Associate

The Rev. Canon Ranjit K. Mathews, Priest Associate

Jilda Aliotta, Chair of Congregation Committee

Richard Baraglia, Vice-Chair of Congregation Committee

*Since 1762, this Christian community has gathered for worship. To learn more about the ministries we share in this place, you are invited to speak to the clergy or parishioners after the service.*

### Serving at 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant and Preacher	The Rev. Roxana Videla, Pastoral Assistant
Assisting	The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon
Intercessor / Verger	Jilda Aliotta
Psalm Leader / Altar Server	John Scott
Lector	Tom Smith

### Serving at 10:00 a.m.

Celebrant	The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Cathedral Dean
Preacher	The Rev. Roxana Videla, Pastoral Assistant
Assisting	The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon
Crucifer	John Scott
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Virtual Vergers	Richard Baraglia and Deborah Simmons
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Choir	Seth Allen, S. Blair, Kelley Kelly, Viola Mullin, Katherine Platte, and Liam Shannon

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