



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
CONNECTICUT'S CATHEDRAL

Christ Church Cathedral
Hartford, Connecticut
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2023

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 first 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

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude ~ Londonderry Air

arr. Norman Coke-Jephcott

Processional Hymn ~ 1982 Hymnal # 192 This joyful Eastertide

Vruechten

Easter Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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 ~ 1982 Hymnal # S280

Robert Powell

The Collect

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 ~ Acts 10:44-88

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter

said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino (sung by the Choir)*

Ivor Algernon Atkins

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
 for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
 has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
 his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 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.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
 lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
 with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
 shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
 the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
 and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
 and the peoples with equity.

A Reading From ~ 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn ~ 1982 Hymnal # 456 O love of God, how strong and true

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The Gospel ~ John 15:9-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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."

Deacon The Gospel of The Lord.

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

The Sermon ~ The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon

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.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer

Let us give thanks to God Almighty for God's gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,
God of Life, we thank you.

For all that is gracious in humanity, revealing the image of Christ,
God of Life, we thank you.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
God of Life, we thank you.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
God of Life, we thank you.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
God of Life, we thank you.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity, especially first responders and all those who seek peace in times of war.
God of Life, we thank you.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
God of Life, we thank you.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
God of Life, we thank you.

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; Tony, our Canon for Latino Ministry; Bonnie, our Deacon; Jay, Tim, Ranjit, and D, our Associate Clergy; and for our Congregation's Committee and Ministry Teams. We also pray for our sister diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney.
God of Life, we thank you.

We pray for the Episcopal Church as we elect a new Presiding Bishop at General Convention in June. We pray especially for the nominees, Bishops +Scott, +DeDe, +Daniel, +Sean, and +Robert.
God of Life, we thank you.

For those who have asked for our prayers, especially **Bishop Michael Curry, 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, Alexandra, Locksley, Todd, Rosa, Miguel, Javon, Debbie, Julian, Mercedes, Rose, Samy, Eugenia, Louis, Sylvia, Dakota,** and for those we now name in our hearts.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord; To him be praise and glory, with you, O Creator, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries

A prayer for those celebrating birthdays this month

Watch over those who stand before us, O Lord, as they begin another year. Bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A prayer for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this month

Gracious and ever living God, continue to look mercifully upon those who come before you at the anniversary of their marriage. Give them wisdom and devotion, that they may always be to the other a strength in need, a counselor in perplexity, a comfort in sorrow, and a companion in joy. With your continual blessing, may they honor and keep the promises and vows they have made; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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 ~ Jesus! Name of wondrous love

Everett Titcomb

The Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; A - le - lu - ia, a - le -
lu - ia! praise him a -bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa -ther, Son, and Ho -ly Ghost, A - le - lu - ia, a - le -
lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving ~ Enriching Our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 3

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 our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus ~ 1982 Hymnal # S125

Richard Proulx

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of

your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you 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.

Fraction Anthem ~ 1982 Hymnal # S155 Christ our Passover

Gerald R. Near

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 # 151 One bread, one body

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 42 I serve a risen savior

The Dismissal

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

Postlude ~ Lift high the cross

arr. John Leavitt

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If you are visiting us for the first time, WELCOME!

We would like to keep you informed of the amazing blessings we experience in this house of prayer. Please introduce yourself to Dean Howell, Canon Garcia, 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. Ramon Antonio Garcia, Canon for Latino Ministry
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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 The Rev. Harlon Dalton, Honorary Canon
Preacher The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon
Psalm Leader / Altar Server John Scott
Intercessor / Verger Jilda Aliotta
Lector Carolyn Dorais

Serving at 10:00 a.m.

Celebrant The Rev. Harlon Dalton, Honorary Canon
Preacher The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon
Assisting The Rev. Ramon Antonio Garcia, Canon for Latino Ministry
Verger Peggy Ornell
Altar Server Marcia Barnett
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