

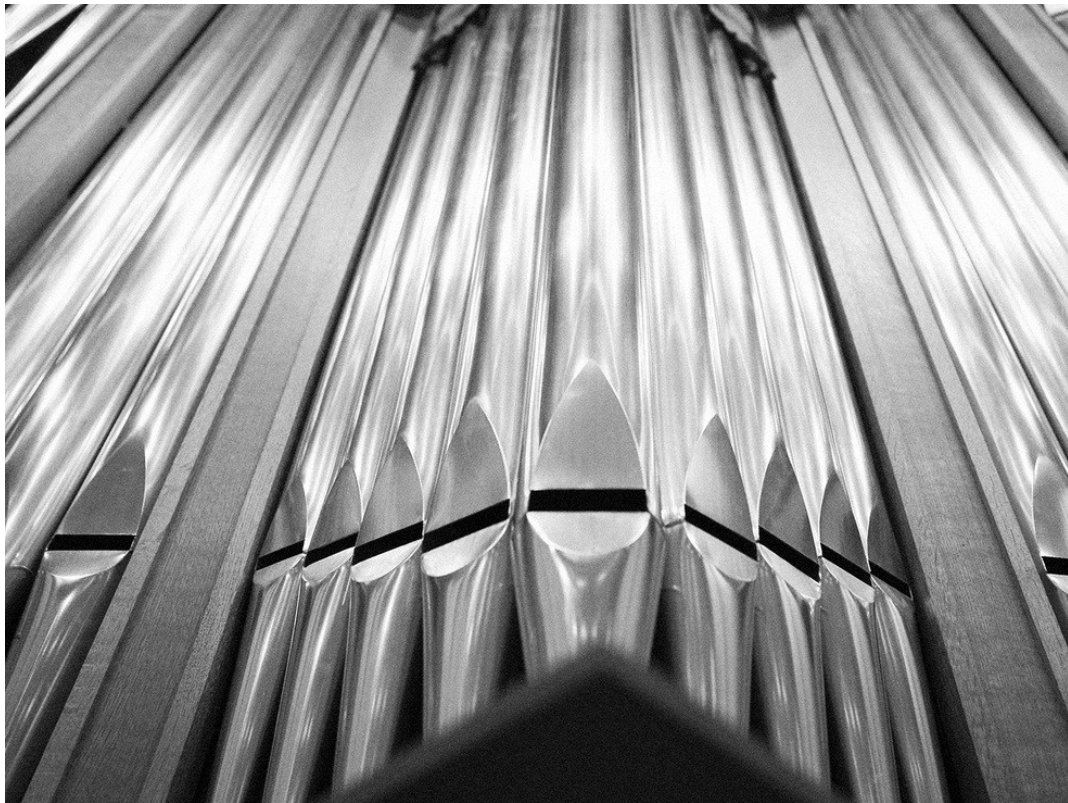
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By Encountering God, Equipping God's People,
and Extending God's Kingdom



Christ Episcopal Church

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist



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WELCOME!

Christ Episcopal Church is a Christ-centered, joy-filled community that is blessed by your presence. Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome here.

If you are visiting today, please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate. Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Guilds Room after worship!

Adult Education begins at 9 A.M. Sundays in the Guilds Room.

Nursery Care for infants to 3 years olds is available from 9:30-11:30 A.M. downstairs in the Zone.

Sunday School for grades Pre K-8 begins at 10 A.M. downstairs located in the Zone.

Journey to Adulthood (J2A) for grades 9-12 begins at 10 A.M. downstairs in the Zone.

**Hymns can be found listed in the announcement insert and on the Hymn Board.
Service music is printed in this bulletin.**

PRELUDE

ADAGIO IN E MAJOR

FRANK BRIDGE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 460:

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

HYFRYDOL

stanzas 1, 3, & 4 sung at 10 A.M

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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

said at 8 A.M.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

10 A.M. Gloria on the next page

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

see reading insert

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

see reading insert

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

said at 8 A.M.; see reading insert

PSALM 90:12-17

chanted at 10 A.M.

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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Choir only

- 12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

ALL

- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING

see reading insert

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN 488:

BE THOU MY VISION, O LORD OF MY HEART

*sung at 10 A.M.
sing stanzas 1 & 2*

THE GOSPEL

see reading insert

before the Gospel

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

after the Gospel

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL HYMN 488:

BE THOU MY VISION, O LORD OF MY HEART

sing stanzas 3 & 4

THE SERMON

THE REVEREND THOMAS E. MATHEWS JR.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence.

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For all bishops and other ministers; remembering especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Carlye, our Bishop; and Tom and Bill, our priests.
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 your Son 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 the absolution.

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.*

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are offering weekly birthday blessings and monthly anniversary blessings (first Sunday of the Month).

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“O HOW AMIABLE”

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

sung by the Chancel Choir at 10 A.M.

*O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
Even thy altars O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house:
They will be always praising thee.
The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:
Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.
O prosper thou our handy work, o prosper thou our handy work.
O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.*

-Words from Psalm 84 and Psalm 90

The bread and wine are brought forward at the beginning of the anthem. The offering plates are then circulated during the anthem.

Living generously is a major part of discipleship, and we thank you for giving back to God through the parish ministry of Christ Church.

PRESENTATION HYMN 707:

TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE CONCECRATED

sung at 10 A.M.

*The financial offering is brought forward by the ushers during the **final stanza** of this hymn.*

The Celebrant may add the following

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.

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

A proper preface is added by the Celebrant.

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:

THE SANCTUS

said at 8 A.M.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

THE SANCTUS, S-125

sung at 10 A.M.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died.**
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AT THE COMMUNION

All who wish to receive Jesus in the sacrament of his Body and Blood are invited to do so. Receive the consecrated bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. (Gluten-free wafers are available; tell the Celebrant if you prefer that.) Receive the consecrated wine, which follows, either by drinking from the chalice as it is extended to you, or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine.

If you would prefer a blessing instead of communion, please come to the altar at the same time. You may indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over the chest. When you return to your seats, please take a few moments to reflect on the gifts you have received.

Laying on of Hands for healing is available for everyone who wishes it during Communion to the right of the altar. A member of our prayer ministry is available to pray with you during the distribution of Communion. The lay minister will pray in the ancient way, laying hands on your head and speaking an intercessor's prayer on your behalf.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN 655:

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED
sung at 10 A.M

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

MISSIONAL HYMN 530:

SPREAD, O SPREAD THOU MIGHTY WORD

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

FANFARE

JOHN COOK

New Director of Music and Organist

We welcome William (Bill) K. Trafka to Christ Episcopal Church who will serve as the new Director of Music and Organist! Bill is officially starting at Christ Church on November 11, but we are thankful for his debut today.

Bill is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY, where he was a student of the legendary American organist and teacher David Craighead and was awarded the Performer's Certificate in Organ Performance. He served as Organist for the First Baptist Church of Greater Cleveland before he arrived in New York City in 1985 to serve as the Associate Organist at St. Bartholomew's Church, where he was appointed Director of Music in 1995.

At St. Bartholomew's, Bill directed music for three diverse services each Sunday and oversaw a choral program which includes a professional choir, a volunteer choir, and an extensive program for boy and girl choristers. For 22 years, he directed St. Bartholomew's Summer Festival of Sacred Music, offering great mass settings for 13 Sundays as part of the 11 am Eucharist. He was also the Artistic Director of The Mid-Manhattan Performing Arts Foundation that presented Great Music at St. Bart's, a concert series which included performances by St. Bartholomew's Choir, a host of guest artists and ensembles, and, in association with the Gotham Early Music Scene, a weekly noonday series of free concerts of early music.

In conjunction with Goodspeed & Bach, Bill has led several tours to Germany, playing organ works of Johann Sebastian Bach in the churches in which the composer served as Kantor. Bill has also served as Adjunct Professor of Sacred Music at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ.

Bill noted that he felt a positive sense of warmth, energy, and commitment when visiting Christ Church and is excited to work with Fr. Tom to harness those qualities in exploring ways to further grow the parish's music program. Bill said, "Right off the bat, I extend an invitation to those who love to sing and do not have a 'choral home' to consider singing at Christ Church. I would love to meet you."

Bill will be onsite two times per week in addition to Sundays, and he looks forward to joining Christ Church's community. When not at work, Bill enjoys spending time with his Lab/Border Collie rescue "Booster," checking out dog runs and exploring the caverns of the city. He is also an avid reader of contemporary fiction and has never turned down a good Pinot Blanc!

Fr Tom thanks the wonderful search committee of Paris Simms, Troy Eggers, and Marlene Whittemore for the faithful and collaborative work with him in calling the right candidate. May God continue to bless Christ Church and our beloved Music Ministry, and may our goal always be to sing of God's praises.

Please join us in the Guilds Room after the 10 A.M. service Coffee Hour where we will welcome Bill Trafka to our community.

If you are visiting today, kindly introduce yourself to an usher and to the clergy so we may welcome you to our community.

We are delighted that you attended Christ Church today and hope to see you again soon.



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