

September 26, 2021

Pentecost 18
Communion Service

For this service, Christ Church is using BCP 2019, Ancient Renewed Text.

Welcome!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 * 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 * 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

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Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. 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.*

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31 ESV*

Song of Praise

O Great God

Bob Kauflin

1. O great
 God of high-est heav'n, oc-cu - py my low - ly heart. Own it all and reign su -
 (2.) blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice, did not know Your love with -
 -preme, con-quer ev - 'ry re - bel pow'r. Let no vice or sin re - main that re -
 -in, had no taste for heav - en's joys. Then Your Spir - it gave me life, o-pened

-sists Your ho - ly war. You have loved and pur - chased me, make me
up Your word to me through the gos - pel of Your Son, gave me

20 $E\flat$ F^{sus} F 1. **INSTRUMENTAL 1** $B\flat$ F Gm^7 Cm F^{sus} F $E\flat/F$ 2. $B\flat$ F

Yours for - ev - er more. 2. I was peace.
end - less hope — and

3. Help me now to live a life that's de - pen - dent on Your
grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that — I face. You are

wor - thy to be praised with my ev - 'ry thought and deed. O great God of high - est

46 C C/E F G^{sus} G 1. C G 2. C G

heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your Name — through me. You are me.

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The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O merciful Lord, ***grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Children's Blessing & Prayer

The First Lesson

Hebrews 3:1 – 11

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:18 – 29 (*Please pray responsively by whole verse*)

18. The Lord has chastened and corrected me, but he has not given me over *to death*.
19. *Open unto me the gates of righteousness, that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.*
20. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter into it.
21. *I will thank you, for you have heard me, and have become my salvation.*
22. The same stone which the builders refused has become the chief cornerstone.
23. *This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.*
24. This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25. *Help me now, O Lord; O Lord, send us now prosperity.*
26. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord.
27. *God is the Lord, who has shown us light; bind the sacrifice with cords, even to the horns of the altar.*
28. You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.
29. *O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious; his mercy endures for ever.*

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn

Speak O Lord, v. 3

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Verse 3

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises;
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
and the earth is filled with your glory.

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The Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:3 – 12

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Rev. Gene Sherman

“Living in a Strange Land: New Birth!”

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Mark, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially Joe, our president, Mike, our governor, and all the lawmakers in our nation.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The people may add their own thanksgivings at this time.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We remember those who have died in Christ.

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Confession and Absolution

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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.***

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Hear the word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28 ESV*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements / Birthdays / Anniversaries

Birthdays:

Melissa Jackson	9/26	Adam Litzler	10/2
Sue Hill	9/28	Max Truax	10/3
Tailor Failor	9/28		

Anniversaries:

Jerry & Tammy Macek 9/27 (24 yrs)
Joe & Beth Iannello 9/28 (19 yrs)
Bob & Cathie Vasko 9/29 (42 yrs)

Question for Week 40

The New City Catechism

What should we pray?

The whole Word of God directs and inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us.

(Ephesians 3:14-21)

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Offertory

Please stand.

Doxology

Hymn 380, v. 3

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. ***Amen.***

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia, Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed once for all upon the cross.

Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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.

Communion Songs

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Hymn 259

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new, That I may
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure, Un - til my
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly Thine, Un - til this
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die, But live with

love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.
will is one with Thine, To do and to en - dure.
earth - ly part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine.
Thee the per - fect life Of Thine e - ter - ni - ty. A - men.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff for the voice, and a grand staff (treble and bass) for the piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear phrase structure. The lyrics are printed below the voice staff, with line numbers 1 through 4 corresponding to the four verses of the hymn. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation for the voice, with chords and single notes that support the melody.

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Lamb of God

Twila Paris



1. Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide; But You have sent — Him from Your —
 (2. Your gift of) love they cru - ci - fied; They laughed and scorned — Him as He —
 (3. I was so) lost I should have died; But You have brought — me to Your —



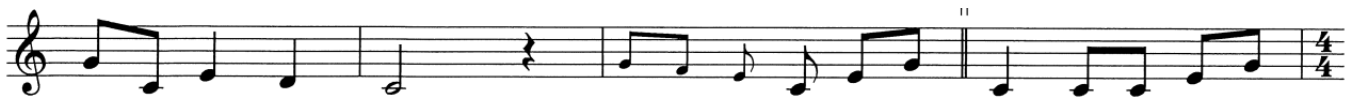
side, — to walk up - on — this guilt - y sod, — and to be - come the Lamb of
 died. — The hum - ble King — they named a fraud, — and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of
 side — to be led by — Your staff and rod, — and to be called a lamb of



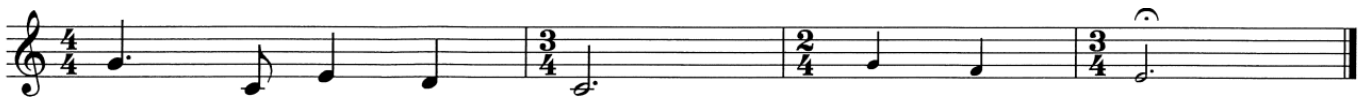
God. 2. Your gift of God. Oh Lamb of God, — sweet Lamb of God. — I love the



ho - ly Lamb of God. — Oh, wash me in — His pre - cious blood, — my Je - sus



Christ, the Lamb of God. 3. I was so blood, — my Je - sus



Christ, the Lamb of God.

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The people stand.

Hallelujah for the Cross

King & Wright



1. Up
(2. What)



to the hill of Cal - va - ry, my Sav - ior went cou - ra - geous - ly and
good I've done could nev - er save, my debt too great for deeds to pay, but



there He bled and died for me. Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross. And
God, my Sav - ior made a way. Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross. A



on that day the world was changed, a fi - nal per - fect lamb was slain. Let
slave to sin, my life was bound, but all my chains fell to the ground when



earth and heav - en now pro - claim, "Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross." Hal - le -
Je - sus' blood came flow - ing down. Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross.



-lu - jah for the war He fought, love has won, death has lost. Hal - le -



-lu - jah for the souls He bought. Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross. _____ 2. What



CROSS.

3. And when I breathe my fi - nal breath, I'll
have no need to fear that rest. This hope will guide me in - to death: Hal - le -
-lu - jah for the cross. Hal - le - lu - jah for the war He fought, love has
won, death has lost. Hal - le - lu - jah for the souls He bought. Hal - le -
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-lu - jah for the cross. Hal - le - cross. Hal - le -
-lu - jah for the cross. Hal - le - lu - jah for the cross.

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Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, *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 forever. Amen.*

The Blessing

The people respond: Amen.

The people stand.

Recessional Hymn

Christ is Alive

Hymn 182

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Common Threads & CRS Update – Our next drop off for both Common Threads and CRS will be Saturday, October 2nd from 10:00 am to noon at Anchor Church!

Text in Church – If you are a guest attending today, please text “welcome” to 440.517.4401 to keep up with Christ Church updates.

Sunday Coffee Hour – Jeff & Marie Davis have been managing coffee and sweets on Sunday mornings forever! It’s time to make a change and give them a break! We are asking for volunteers to sign up for one (or more) coffee hour beginning on Sunday, September 26th through the end of the year. If you are interested, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Jeff will have a training session for all who volunteer!

Operation Christmas Child Coordinator – Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is part of the Samaritan’s Purse International Relief with the goal of providing God’s love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, more than **188 million children** in more than 170 countries and territories have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. For many of the children receiving these boxes, this is their first gift ever! Please visit <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> for more information.

Every year we order shoe boxes from Samaritan’s Purse and our parishioners fill them with personal care items, toys, crafts & activities, school supplies, socks, etc. CCW is also a drop off center here at Anchor. We need a volunteer(s) to coordinate these efforts for this very important ministry. Jim & Carol Stefano (our past coordinators) have offered to train the new coordinator(s). If you are interested, please contact the office as soon as possible!



Sermon Text: 1 Peter 1:3 – 12

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

¹⁰Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, ¹¹inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. ¹²It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.



2021 Financials

Through Sunday	9/19/2021
Current Month Budget	\$29,800
Current Month Actual	\$24,097
YTD Budget	\$298,200
YTD Actual	\$295,934
Annual 2021 Budget	\$400,000

Attendance for 9/19/2021

8:00 a.m. — 25

10:30 a.m. — 73

Wednesday — 10

Online — 27