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CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

WELCOME!

We are glad you are with us today as we worship God and receive Christ's presence given to us in the sacrament of bread and wine. This service is offered by livestream to those who cannot assemble with us. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER JUNE 1, 2025

10:30 AM CONFIRMATION, REAFFIRMATION, & HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Music from *The Christ Church Mass*, Sir David Willcocks (1919-2015)

Voluntary *Andante* from *Symphony No. 2*

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand, as able, and sing

Entrance Hymn 460 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

(blue) Hymnal 1982

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.CelebrantThere is one Body and one Spirit.PeopleThere is one hope in God's call to us;CelebrantOne Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great

triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives

and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

Please be seated for

The First Reading

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city;

they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."

The Choir sings

Psalm 97 Dominus regnavit

Chant: George Martin (1844-1916)

The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him, righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O Lord.

For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil;

he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous, and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Second Reading

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone

who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."

Please stand and sing

Gradual Hymn 348 Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation

Hymnal 1982

The Gospel is carried to the congregation so that we remember it is our Good News to hear and to share.

The Gospel Reading

John 17:20-26

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Once the Book of Gospels has returned to its place of honor, the People may be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The HomilyThe Rt. Rev. Kevin S. Brown

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

(red) Book of Common Prayer 415

The candidates are presented for Confirmation and Reaffirmation and make promises in their names.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in

Christ?

People We will.

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal

covenant.

Please stand for

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in

the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the

Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human

being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader By their names, Lord, know each one as your disciple and friend.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader By their names, Lord, call them to serve you in the world.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Through this renewal, Lord, give them joy for life.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Through this renewal, Lord, keep them in your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader From this day forward, Lord, teach them to love others as you love us.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader From this day forward, Lord, guide them on life's journey.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader In the end, Lord, bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Please be seated for

Confirmation and Reaffirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each candidate and says

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your heavenly grace, that he/she may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he/she comes to your everlasting kingdom. *Amen*.

N., may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. *Amen*.

Please stand as the Bishop concludes

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Please be seated for

Senior Recognition

Please stand for

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory and Preparation of the Table

Benedicamus Domino.

Being seated, we begin with a time of offering. Giving money is a sign that our life serves God's purposes and expresses our gratitude for God's many blessings. The ushers will receive the offering and present it on our behalf. Also, you may give online using Apple Pay, Google Pay, PayPal, Venmo, a credit or debit card, ACH, or text a contribution to (302) 244-5368. For those who give electronically, a card is available in the pews to participate in the act of offering. Newcomers and guests may place the welcome card in the offering plate.

Anthem

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Coelos ascendit hodie

Today into the heavens has ascended

Jesus Christus Rex Gloriae:

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Alleluia!

Sedet ad Patris dexteram, He sits at the Father's right hand, gubernat coelum et terram. and rules heaven and earth, Alleluia!

Iam finem habent omnia Now have been fulfilled all of

Patris Davidis carmina. Father David's songs,

Iam Dominus cum Domino now God is with God, Alleluia!

Sedet in Dei solio: He sits upon the royal throne of God,

in hoc triumpho maximo in this his greatest triumph, Alleluia!

Let us bless the Lord:

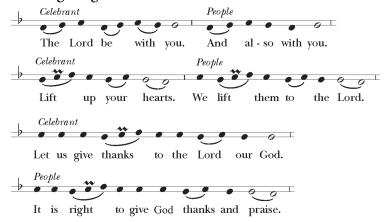
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas, Let the Holy Trinity be praised,

deo dicamus gratias, let us give thanks to the Lord,

Alleluia. Amen. Alleluia! Amen.

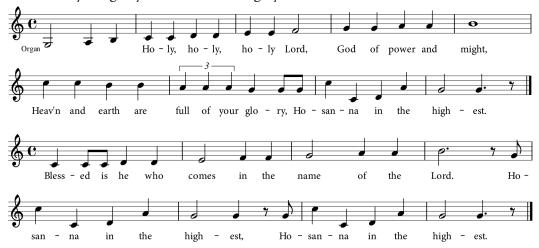
The Great Thanksgiving

adaptation, BCP 369



The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our praise in the ancient song of the Sanctus.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our acclamation of Christ's sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection, saying
Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues the prayer, saying

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Celebrant and People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.

The Celebrant concludes

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



The Celebrant invites the People to say the prayer Jesus taught his first disciples.

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

We sing the anthem at the breaking of the bread, which is Christ's Body, broken for us. Please be seated after the sacrament is presented.



All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Christ or a blessing. Come up the center aisle and take your place along the altar rail, kneeling or standing. If you desire a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intent. Receive the host in open hands. Gluten-free host is available; let the clergy know your need when they approach you. When you are presented with the cup, drink from it or dip the bread carefully into the cup and consume in both kinds together. If you do not wish to receive the cup, please cross your arms to indicate your intent, but wait for the minister to pass you before you leave the rail. Please use the side aisle to return to your pew. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know, and communion will be brought to you.

Communion Anthem

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; e'en the sp'rit of truth.

Communion Hymn 305 Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to be Our Guest

Hymnal 1982

Please stand for

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant In thanksgiving, let us pray.

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

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People The maker of heaven and earth.

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People From this time forth for evermore.

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be

upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen.

All sing

Hymn in Procession 347 Go Forth for God; Go to the World in Peace

Hymnal 1982

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary Fanfare John Cook (1918-1984)

Please take your bulletin with you or return it to the table in the narthex as you leave.

We are sent forth to be Christ's blessing in the world. Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with joy. We look forward to your presence again in worship, in service to others, in learning and fellowship.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

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