

Prelude

Catherine Dubas, *organ*

Opening Hymn

Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Hymnal 460

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Celebrant *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*
People *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*
All **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.**

Song of Praise

Tune: *Regent Square*

**Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.**

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

*Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may
show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

First Lesson

Joshua 24:1-2a,14-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says theLORD, the God of Israel:

"Now therefore revere theLORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve theLORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve theLORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve theLORD."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake theLORDserve other gods; for it is theLORDour God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and theLORDdrove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve theLORD, for he is our God."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:15-22

Benedicam Dominum

BCP 628

15eyes of theLORDupon the righteous, *
and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of theLORDis against those who do evil, *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and theLORDhears them *
and delivers them from all their troubles.

18 TheLORDis near to the brokenhearted *

and will save those whose spirits are crushed.
 19 Many are the troubles of the righteous, *
 but the LORD deliver him out of them all.
 20 He will keep safe all his bones; *
 not one of them shall be broken.
 21 Evil shall slay the wicked, *
 and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
 22 The LORD the life of his servants, *
 and none will be punished who trust in him.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 6:10-20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Praise our great and gracious Lord

Hymnal 393

The Gospel

John 6:56-69

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

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

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?"

But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

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

Homily

The Rev. Winnie Smith Cavanaugh

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

We believe in one God,
Father, the Almighty,
of heaven and earth,
all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
only Son of God,
begotten of the Father,
from God, Light from Light,
God from true God,
, not made,
one Being with the Father.
him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
came down from heaven:
the power of the Holy Spirit
became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
was made man.
our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
suffered death and was buried.
the third day he rose again
accordance with the Scriptures;
ascended into heaven
is seated at the right hand of the Father.
will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
proceeds from the Father and the Son.
the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
has spoken through the Prophets.
believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
look for the resurrection of the dead,
the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People Form IV BCP 388

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your
 truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
 Lord, in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and
 peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

People Lord, in your mercy,
 Leader **hear our prayer.**
 Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its
 resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
 Lord, in your mercy,
 People **hear our prayer.**
 Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve
 Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
(the people may add their petitions)
 Lord, in your mercy,
 People **hear our prayer.**
 Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or
 spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of
 your salvation.
(the people may add their petitions)
 Lord, in your mercy,
 People **hear our prayer.**
 Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be
 fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal
 kingdom.
(the people may add their petitions)
 Lord, in your mercy,
 People **hear our prayer.**
 Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace
 I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to
 us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the
 Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

Deacon *Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*
 All **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 prays an absolution.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn Blessed Jesus, at thy word Hymnal 440

At the Presentation: Hymnal 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.**

Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

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 God 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.
(the Celebrant continues until...)

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:

All *Sanctus* Hymnal S-124

(the Celebrant continues until...)

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

(the Celebrant continues until...)

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.**

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread: *Agnus Dei* Hymnal S-161

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion - All are welcome at Christ's Table. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your heart.

Communion Hymn And now, O Father, mindful of the love Hymnal 337

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn Sing praise to God who reigns above Hymnal 408

Dismissal

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

Postlude

Catherine Dubas, *organ*

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Praise God for those who Serve Today

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Liturgist:

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THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

11:00 AM—AUGUST 25, 2024

Welcome to Christ Church. We are happy to have you here with us today. Let this bulletin be your guide through our service. The hymns can be found in the blue hymnals located in the pews. Parts of the service, where designated, can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP), also in the pews.

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