

Christ Episcopal Church  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II  
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 19  
September 13, 2020

Opening Hymn "Christ for the world we sing"

Christ for the world! we sing  
The world to Christ we bring  
With loving zeal  
The poor and them that mourn  
The faint and overborne  
Sin sick and sorrow worn  
Whom Christ doth heal  
Christ for the world! we sing  
The world to Christ we bring  
With fervent prayer  
The wayward and the lost  
By restless passions tossed  
Redeemed at countless cost  
From dark despair  
Christ for the world! we sing  
The world to Christ we bring  
With one accord  
With us the work to share  
With us reproach to dare  
With us the cross to bear  
The Word of God

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit BCP 355  
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. AMEN.

Officiant:

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 BCP 356

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

Collect of the Day (Proper 19) BCP 233

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A reading from Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians;  
and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 114 In exitu Israel BCP 756

1 Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, \*  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,  
2 Judah became God's sanctuary \*  
and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea beheld it and fled; \*  
Jordan turned and went back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams, \*  
and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \*

O Jordan, that you turned back?

6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \*  
you little hills like young sheep?

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \*  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Gospel of Matthew 18:21-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

The people respond: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and

threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Officiant: The Gospel of our Lord

The people respond: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Words of Faith The Rev. Dan Buchin

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

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.

## Preface to Prayers

### Prayers of the People Form V BCP 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".  
For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth  
and love, and be found without fault at the day of your  
coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond  
Lord, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Bonnie our own Bishop,  
for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people  
of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our  
divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the  
Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may  
preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O  
Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost  
their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we  
pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and  
forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray  
to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve  
justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every  
person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for  
refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may  
be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for  
those who are absent, that we may be delivered from  
hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we  
do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for  
our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from  
anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to  
you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and  
those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the  
saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain  
or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary,  
and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another,  
and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

#### Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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 Priest stands and says

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 Passing of the Peace BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the People:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### The Bread and the Wine

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 365

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-

where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of

heaven and earth.

#### Preface

The Celebrant continues:

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:

Sanctus BCP 371

Celebrant and People

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 people stand or kneel.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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 BCP 364

Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

(All baptized persons are welcome at the altar. If you'd rather receive a blessing, come to the  
altar and cross your arms.)

#### Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 "Seek ye first the kingdom of God"

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

And His righteousness

And all these things shall be added unto you



Allelu, alleluia  
Ask and it shall be given unto you  
Seek and ye shall find  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you  
Allelu, alleluia  
Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And His righteousness  
And all these things shall be added unto you  
Allelu, alleluia  
Announcements  
Dismissal BCP 366

Upcoming Services:

9/20 Holy Eucharist, Rite II, outdoors at Christ Church Adrian  
9/27 Morning Prayer, Rite II

Upcoming Events:

9/14 Juliet Wilkins' birthday  
9/20 Scott Linden's birthday  
9/24 Connor Hayes' birthday  
9/25 Gordon & JoAnn Gauss' anniversary  
9/26 Todd Johnson's birthday  
9/27 Outside Work Bee, following the Liturgy. Bring a sack lunch!  
9/29 Matt Linden's birthday  
10/11 Annual meeting  
Saints celebrated this week:  
9/14 Holy Cross Day

Common prayers with uncommon results:

PRAYERS FOR the unemployed, homeless & disenfranchised  
IN HARM'S WAY our service men & women suffering from PTSD  
CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop;  
Bonnie Perry, our Bishop;  
Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA  
Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA  
Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our Diocesan retired community household; Our Diocesan  
household; St Mary's in the Hills, Lake Orion; Trinity Church, Farmington Hills; Christ the King,  
Taylor

We welcome you to Christ Church, and look forward to meeting together in person for  
fellowship when the pandemic crisis is over!

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