**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 18th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.**

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite II**



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**INFORMATION FOR NEWCOMERS: WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!**



Our motto is true whether you're here for the very first time

or you've been a member for decades –

**There is a place for you at God's Table!**

The worship service has two main parts: the Liturgy of the Word, which includes Scripture readings and a sermon, and the Liturgy of the Table, which is also called Holy Eucharist or Communion. You will notice moments in the service when people stand, kneel, bow, and make the sign of the cross. There is no one “right” way to worship, so do what is comfortable for you at any given time in worship.

All Baptized Christians are welcome at Christ’s Table for Communion. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward and request a blessing. If you wish to receive communion in your pew, please notify the ushers. And if you need a gluten-free wafer, just let Rev’d Charles know.

If you have not been baptized, or if you have questions about Holy Baptism, please talk to Rev’d Charles Wilson after the service -- the people of Christ Church would love to walk with you to your baptism and beyond!

When you enter a Christ Episcopal Church worship service/event, you will be entering an area where photography, video and audio recording may occur.

**The Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**PRELUDE:** Reflection on " Faith of our Fathers" - *St.Catherine/*arr. Callahan

**OPENING HYMN**: “Sing praise to God who reigns above” Hymnal 408

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 Hymnal S278

**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.**

THE COLLECT

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

**THE LESSONS**

**THE FIRST READING Jeremiah 8:18-9:1**

My joy is gone, grief is upon me,
my heart is sick.

Hark, the cry of my poor people
from far and wide in the land:

"Is the Lord not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?"

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt,
I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people
not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water,
and my eyes a fountain of tears,

so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of my poor people!

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**



THE RESPONSE PSALM 79:1-9

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy **temple; \***
they have made Jerusalem a heap of **rubble.**

2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the **air, \***
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the **field.**

3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jer**usalem, \***
and there was no one to bury **them.**

4 We have become a reproach to our neigh**bors,** \*
an object of scorn and derision to those around **us.**

5 How long will you be angry, O **Lord? \***
will your fury blaze like fire for **ever?**

6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known **you \***
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your **Name.**

7 For they have devoured **Jacob \***
and made his dwelling a **ruin.**

8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet **us; \***
for we have been brought very **low.**

9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your **Name; \***
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's **sake.**

**THE SECOND LESSON**  **1 Timothy 2:1-7**

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God;
 there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,
 who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle, a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

***People:*** **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN:** “There is a balm in Gilead” Hymnal 676

**GOSPEL**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (**Luke 16:1-13**).

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, `What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, `What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, `How much do you owe my master?' He answered, `A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, `Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, `And how much do you owe?' He replied, `A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Sermon The Rev’d Charles Wilson*

**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**

In peace, we pray to you Lord God. (*Congregational responses are in* ***bold****)*

*Silence*

Blessed are you eternal God,
**to be praised and glorified forever.**

Hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.
**May we all be one, that the world may come to know you.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you,
**that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.**

We remember those who have died.
**Into your hands we commend them.**

We praise you for all your saints who have entered eternal glory, especially Queen Elizabeth II.

**May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble, especially Margaret Mattox, Joy Bartenstein, Dodi Holmes, Martha Chaney, Charlene Schreiber, Alice Kelly, Barb Kelly, Joni Pulver, Traudie Milleck, and Keith Harbaugh.

**In your presence may they find strength.**

Look with kindness on our homes and families, and all who celebrate birthdays this week especially, Julie McGregor.

**Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.**

Make us alive to the needs of our community, and bless the holy work of Springfield Farmer’s Market, Project Woman, Children’s Defense Fund Freedom Schools, The YMCA, and Jefferson St. Oasis Garden .

**Help us to share one another’s joys and burdens.**

Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.
**Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.**

We pray for the leadership and future of this congregation during this time of transition and discernment of our common life and ministry. Uphold us in word, in sacrament and in one another; in change and in challenge; in humility and in hope.

**That we may continue the work you have given us to do.**

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Wayne, our Bishop; Charles, our Celebrant; and all who minister in Christ, that they may be firmly rooted in your truth and love.

**Inspire us and give us courage to proclaim your Gospel of Resurrection.**

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

**Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*.***

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant:May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** "Camp Meeting" - Trad. American/arr. Page and Shafferman

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTSHymnal 380, v. 3

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise God, all creatures here below;**

**praise God above, ye heavenly host:**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

 **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,** **Hymnal S130**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

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:

**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 forever. **Amen.**

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

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Hymnal S164

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,**

**Give us your peace. Give us your peace.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**COMMUNION HYMN:** “Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart” Hymnal 488

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION- Celebrant and people together

**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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.  ***Amen.***

**CLOSING HYMN:** “O day of God draw nigh”Hymnal 601

THE DISMISSAL Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

 People: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** "Menuett" K.1 - Mozart

**Altar Flowers**

The flowers today are given in honor of Nation Ovarian Cancer Month in great thanksgiving by Judy Johnson.

**Ministers for September 18th, 2022**

**Altar Guild:** Joan Hurley

**Chalice:**

**Lector:** Fred Bartenstein

**Ushers:** David Bingman and Bonnie Bingman

**Videographer:** Scott Yeazell

**Coffee Hour:** Anita Beardsell

**General Information**

**Supply Priest:** The Rev’d Charles Wilson

**Senior Warden**: Scott Yeazell

**Junior Warden**: Steve Sharp

**Treasurer**: Ken Bladh

**Vestry at Large**: Joy Meyers, Kay Koeninger, Linda Mortensen,

Bill Hicks, Lori Swafford, and Keith Doubt

**Parish Administrator & Program Coordinator**: Kelly Zeller

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