**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**April 6th, 2025 at 10 am**

**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. Michelle know.

If you have not been baptized, or if you have questions about Holy Baptism, please talk to The Rev. Dr. Michelle Boomgaard 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. Finally, if you are a visitor, please fill-out a *Welcome Card* on the back of the pew, so we can add you to our weekly information email the NewsNote.

**The Holy Eucharist**

PRELUDE: "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken" - *Rendezvous à Dieu/arr.*Langlois

**OPENING HYMN**: “I Sing the almighty power of God” Hymnal 398

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People:*  **His mercy endures forever. Amen.**

TRISAGION Hymnal S99

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty,**

**Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

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**Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Dieu tout-puissant, toi seul peux mettre de l’ordre dans les volontés et les affections indisciplinées des pécheurs et des pécheresses : accorde à ton peuple la grâce d’aimer ce que tu ordonnes et de désirer ce que tu promets, afin que, lors des changements brusques et variés de ce monde, nos cœurs puissent se fixer là où se trouvent les joies véritables, par Jésus Christ, notre Seigneur, qui vit et règne avec toi et le Saint-Esprit, un seul Dieu, pour les siècles des siècles. **Amen.**

**THE LESSONS**

**THE FIRST READING Isaiah 43:16-21**

Thus says the Lord,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,

who brings out chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;

they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.

The wild animals will honor me,  
the jackals and the ostriches;

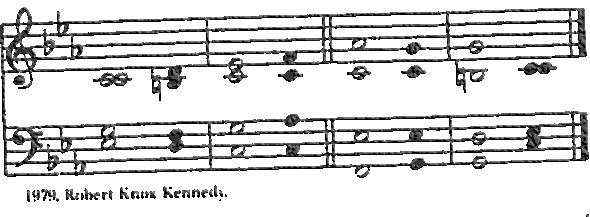
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself

so that they might declare my praise.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

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



THE RESPONSE PSALM 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of **Zion, \***  
then were we like those who **dream.**

2 Then was our mouth filled with **laughter, \***  
and our tongue with shouts of **joy.**

3 Then they said among the **nations, \***  
"The Lord has done great things for **them."**

4 The Lord has done great things for **us, \***  
and we are glad in**deed.**

5 Restore our fortunes, O **Lord, \***  
like the watercourses of the **Negev.**

6 Those who sowed with **tears \***  
will reap with songs of **joy.**

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the **seed, \***  
will come again with joy, shouldering their **sheaves.**

**THE SECOND LESSON Philippians 3:4b-14**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN:** “Surely it is God who saves me”Hymnal 679

**GOSPEL**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (**John 12:1-8).**

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Sermon The Rev. Dr. Michelle Boomgaard*

**THE NICENE CREED SYMBOLE DE NICÉE**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,** Nous croyons en un seul Dieu, le Père tout-puissant,

**maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,** Créateur du ciel et de la terre,

**seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord,** De toutes les choses visibles et invisibles.

**Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,** Nous croyons en un seul Seigneur, Jésus Christ,

**eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,** Le Fils unique de Dieu,

**Light from Light, true God from true God,** Endgendré du Père avant tous les siècles,

**begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.** Dieu né de Dieu, Lumière née de la Lumière,

**Through him all things were made.** Vrai Dieu né du vrai Dieu, Engendré, non pas crée,

**For us and for our salvation he came down** Un seul être avec le Père, Et par lui tout a été fait.

**from heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit** Pour nous et pour notre salut,

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,** Il est descendu des cieux,

**and was made man. For our sake he was** Il s’est incarné par le saint-Esprit en la Vierge Marie,

**crucified under Pontius Pilate;** Et s’est fait homme. Crucifié pour nous sous Ponce Pilate,

**he suffered death and was buried.** Il a souffert la Passion,

**On the third day he rose again in accordance** Il a été mis au tombeau,

**with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven** Il est ressuscité le troisième jour, selon les Écritures ;

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.** Il est monté aux cieux,

**He will come again in glory to judge the living** Il siège à la droite du Père,

**and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.** Il reviendra dans la gloire pour juger

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,** les vivants et les morts,

**the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,** Et son règne n’aura pas de fin.

**With the Father and the Son he** Nous croyons en l’Esprit saint,

**is worshiped and glorified, He has spoken** Qui est Seigneur et qui donne la vie,

**through the Prophets. We believe in one holy** Que procède du Père.

**catholic and apostolic Church.** Avec le Père et le Fils, il reçoit même

**We acknowledge one baptism** adoration et même gloire; Il a parlé par les Prophètes.

**for the forgiveness of sins.** Nous croyons en l’Église une, sainte,

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,** catholique et apostolique.

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.** Nous reconnaissons us seul baptême pour

le pardon des péchés. Nous attendons la résurrection des morts

Et la vie du monde à venir. Amen.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

Congregational responses are in **bold.**

*Silence*

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Kristin, our Bishop, and Michelle, our Rector and all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them. In the Diocese of Southern Ohio cycle of prayer, we pray for Trinity, Troy, and St. Luke’s, Marietta. In our service and our various ministries, especially Clark County Literacy Coalition, Episcopal Community Ministries, Second Harvest Food Bank, and Shelter Inc., let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and to those celebrating birthdays, especially Anne Summers and David Warren and celebrating anniversaries this week, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially Gayle, Christina Schelle, Faye Richardson, Beth Harbaugh, Pat Duncan, Marilyn Howat, Jeanie Everingham, Bonnie Bingman, Anita Beardsell, Diana DeVoe, Sandi Eyman, Margaret Mattox, Joy Bartenstein, Dodi Holmes, Alice Kelly, Barb Kelly, and Traudie Milleck, and any others we may now name, silently or aloud.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who  
remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died, especially Sam Zook, in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy****.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to  
Christ our God.  
***To thee, O Lord our God.***

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.***

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OFFERTORY:**  "Ave Verum" - Mozart

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTSHymnal 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**

**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 him 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; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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 S124

**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 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, Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,**

**hallowed be thy name, Que ton nom soit sanctifé;**

**thy kingdom come, thy will be done, Que ton règne vienne ; que ta volonté soit faite**

**on earth as it is in heaven. Sur la terre comme au ciel.**

**Give us this day our daily bread. Donne-nous aujourd’hui notre pain de ce jour.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, Pardonne-nous nos offenses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us. Comme nous pardonnons aussi À ceux qui nous ont offensés.**

**And lead us not into temptation, Et nous laisse pas entrer en tentation,**

**but deliver us from evil. Mais délivre-nous du mal.**

**For thine is the kingdom, Car c’est à toi qu’appartiennent le règne,**

**and the power, and the glory, La puissance et la gloire,**

**forever and ever. Amen. Pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Hymnal S161

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**COMMUNION HYMN:** “Let thy blood in mercy poured” Hymnal 313

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.**

SOLEMN PRAYER

Bow down before the Lord. Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen****.*

**CLOSING HYMN:** “Not here for high and holy things” Hymnal 9 vs. 1, 4-6

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** "Gnossienne #2" - Satie

**Announcements from Christ Church**

**Pastoral emergencies**

If you need to reach Rev. Michelle for a pastoral emergency, the number is (937) 505-0141. For

non-emergencies, you can call the office at (937) 323-8651 or email Rev. Michelle at [mboomgaard@christspringfield.org](mailto:mboomgaard@christspringfield.org).

**Adult Forum Today after the service in the Parish Hall:** Join us today as we continue our conversation on the life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran pastor, theologian, and anti-Nazi “spy.” Together, we’ll look at his life and his writings, and consider some of the major questions he raised and wrestled with during his time.

**Christ Church Food Pantry**

The April Drive-thru Food Pantry will be on **April 16th, 2025.** Volunteers are needed to help unload food, pack food and help with customer service at approximately 8:15 am. Please contact either Brian Shelburne at [bshelburne@wittenberg.edu](mailto:bshelburne@wittenberg.edu), Kelly Zeller at [zellerk0611@gmail.com](mailto:zellerk0611@gmail.com), or Anne Randolph at [annejrand@aol.com](mailto:annejrand@aol.com) to volunteer.

**Upcoming Food Pantry opportunities:**

**April 9th an extra delivery at 8:30 am**

**April 10th, 2025**- grocery bagging day - start time at 9:00 am

April 16th, 2025– Food Pantry Day! start time at 8:15 am

**Plan to Join Christ Church for Holy Week and Easter Sunday!**

**Palm Sunday: April 13th** Join us at 8 am for a Quiet Rite I service and/or 10 am Festive Rite II service for The Liturgy of the Palms.

**Maundy Thursday: April 17th at 7 PM ~** We remember Jesus’s mandate to break the bread and drink the cup together as we remember his life, death, and resurrection.

**Good Friday: April 18th at 7 PM ~** On this most somber occasion, we recall the day of our Lord's execution. The Good Friday liturgy includes the full Passion Gospel, the Solemn Collects, and the Veneration of the Cross.

**The Feast of the Resurrection: April 20th  
Join us for 10 am** Festive Rite II service with choir and brass. On this holiest day of the Christian year, we rejoice at Christ's victory over the powers of death. ***There is not a 8:00 service on this Sunday.***

**EASTER FLOWERS~ Last Chance!**

Easter is a wonderful time to remember loved ones with a gift to Christ Church of flowers. Please email Kelly Zeller at [Zellerk0611@gmail.com](mailto:Zellerk0611@gmail.com) with your dedication, drop it in the offering plate along with your donation, or mail it in with your donation to the office: 409 East High Street, Springfield, Ohio 45505.

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**Ministers for April 6th, 2025**

**Altar Guild:** Cathy Yeazell and Gretchen Hicks

**Chalice:** Mary Allardyce

**Lector:** Liz Wheeler

**Ushers:** Steve Sharp and Rick Everingham

**Coffee Hour Hosts**: Linda Mortensen

**Videographer:** Truss, Inc.

**General Information**

**Rector:** The Rev. Dr. Michelle Boomgaard

**Senior Warden**: Joyce Spangler

**Junior Warden**: Dan McGregor

**Treasurer**: Ken Bladh

**Clerk of Vestry:** Kelly Zeller

**Vestry at Large**: Kay Koeninger, Marjory Wentworth, Anne Strothman,

David Bingman, Beth Deger, and Rick Everingham

**Parish Director & Parish Administrator**: Kelly Zeller

**Director of Music**: Dr. Christopher Durrenberger

**Facility Manager**: Paul McAfee

**Bookkeeper:** Tina Knox

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