



Welcome to Christ Church

April 17, 2016

Easter 4



All Service Notes: The 8 a.m. service uses the readings in the leaflet (service is in the BCP page 323). Hymns are in the larger blue books (208,343 & 522). 10:15 Service is here in the leaflet. **Prayer List** is on the stand. Thanks to participants: Peter Lusa, W. Danenhower, D. Flath

We greet one another & Come together in song

Opening Songs (in the Soft Cover Book)

Celebrant: Alleluia, the Lord is Risen

People: **The Lord is Risen, indeed. Alleluia**



Gloria (sung together) **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: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

Collect of the Day O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We listen to the story of God's care for us

A Reading from the Book of Revelations 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People

People:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; * *I shall not be in want.*
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures * *and leads me beside still waters.*
3 He revives my soul * *and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.*
4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Sequence Song (*please all stand*)

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John 10:22–30 (*Glory to you, Lord Christ*)

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

We ask God for help

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of the earth, our island home;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or trouble;

For those who care for the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For **Katherine** our Presiding Bishop, and **Ian, James** and **Laura** our Bishops; for David, our priest, and for all other ministers

For all who serve God in his Church.

For those who are in our thoughts this morning.

For ... (*read names from the intercession sheet*)

And for those in the Armed Forces but especially for: Angela, Dan, Jeff, Ken, Tom, Doug, Joel, Jed, Micah, Bill, Tim and Jay (and any others written in)

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.



We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life...

For those celebrating birthdays... *Tyler Malboeuf, Kelly Madenjian, Nancy Morrison, Samuel Paul* (and from the intercession sheet)

For those celebrating anniversaries... Brian & Catherine Bastow (and from the intercession sheet)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name forever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, knowing that they are now with You... (read names from sheet)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.



We ask God for compassion & forgiveness

Celebrant: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People with Celebrant: **God of all mercy, we confess that we have not loved each other as sisters and brothers, we have not welcomed all children and so welcomed you. Forgive us our sins, as a mother searching for a cherished coin, as a father welcoming a beloved child home, and hold us in your Spirit that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk with you always. Amen.**

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 forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you**

We give money for God's work as well as bread and wine for our Feast

Offertory Song (*the ushers pass the collection plates*)

380 Offertory Presentation Hymn (verse 3 only) *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

We Celebrate with a Feast

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. (*spoken anthem*)

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.**



The Celebrant continues..... Holy Father, we thank you for this most sacred feast, in which we celebrate who you are and who we are becoming. As your Word spoke the Creation into being, so we lift our voices to say:

Sung Together..... **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. (*please all remain standing*)

Celebrant continues... Thank you, God, for sending your Son to welcome us as your beloved sons and daughters. Thank you for taking away all obstacles that separate us from you, and making us your friends.

Thank you, dear Lord, for continuing to feed us even as you fed your first disciples on that darkest night, when you took bread, blessed, broke, and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat, this is my body which is my gift to you. Do this in remembrance of me.

After the meal, you took the cup of wine, blessed, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of our new relationship, which is my gift to you which sets you free from the bondage of sin. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Come Breath of Life and Spirit of Wisdom: in the beginning you hovered over the waters of creation, and called the world into being; so now call us into being as your new creation, Sanctify this bread and wine that, nourished by your Body and Blood, we may work with you in your world in witness of your love. 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.

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.
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

Fraction Anthem *One Body* (in the back of music folder) (song is a call and response)

We are one (we are one), one body (one body), many parts (many parts), one body (one body). God has made (God has made), one body (one body), all of us (all of us), one body (one body). So it is with Christ, (one body), each one has a place, (one body). Each must do their part, (one body), Together we will be, (one body)... O.... O... We are one.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Songs during Communion *(all are invited to communion)*

We Give Thanks for the Feast

Celebrant: Living God, Shepherd of your people, thank you for gathering your flock and for feeding us today. Thank you for the company of faithful friends to share the story and the meal. **Send us on the journey of this week with your power to protect us and your Spirit to inspire us, every step of the way. Amen**

Blessing

Dismissal *(Announcements later in the Great Hall)*

Closing Song

