



# Welcome to Christ Church

August 23, 2015

## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



**All Service Notes:** **Prayer/Intercession List** is on the stand at the back of the church so you may list concerns. **Welcome materials** are on the back table. Hymns are in the Blue covered books in the pew racks.

### 9:15 a.m. Baptism and Family Eucharist

#### Opening Hymn (as announced)

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People:** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
**Celebrant:** There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**People:** **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
**Celebrant:** One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism;  
**People:** **One God and Father of all.**

**Celebrant:** God be with you.  
**People:** **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant:** 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**

#### A Reading (Lesson) from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, 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.**

#### Psalm 84

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \*  
*My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; \*  
*by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.*
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! \* *they will always be praising you.*
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \* *whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.*
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, \*  
*for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.*
- 6 They will climb from height to height, \* *and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.*

- 7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; \* *hearken, O God of Jacob.*  
 8 Behold our defender, O God; \* *and look upon the face of your Anointed.*  
 9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, \*  
*and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.*  
 10 For the Lord God is both sun and shield; \* *he will give grace and glory;*  
 11 No good thing will the Lord withhold \* *from those who walk with integrity.*  
 12 O Lord of hosts, \* *happy are they who put their trust in you!*

**Sequence Hymn** (as announced)

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John 6:51-58 (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."

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

**Homily**      Fr. Dave

**Baptismal Hymn** (as announced)

**The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

*Parents and Godparents (who answer for each child)*

**I present Kylie Anne LaBonte, Autumn Rose Heath & Emery Willow Heath to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents:* **I will, with God's help.**

Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents:* **I will, with God's help.**

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*P and G:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*P and G:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*P and G:* **I renounce them.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*P and G:* **I do.**

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*P and G:* **I do.**

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*P and G:* **I do.**

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

*The whole congregation:* **We will.**

Let us now renew our Baptismal Covenant... *(whole congregation responds)*

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

Let us now pray for who *are* to receive the Sacrament of new birth

*(At this point the Leader will recite the petitions for our candidates and we answer after each)*

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.....** *(the Celebrant concludes with.....)*

*Celebrant:* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant continues:* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water..... **Amen.**

*Kylie Anne, Autumn Rose, Emery Willow,* I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

....., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Let us pray together. **Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People:* **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

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

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

## The Holy Eucharist: Prayer A *(BCP p.361, if desired)*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues.....* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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.

*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.**

*Celebrant continues...* 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.**

*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.**

### The Lord's Prayer .... Our Father who art in heaven.....

*Together:* **Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### Hymns during Communion

### Thanksgiving Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together.

*Celebrant and People:* **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.**

### Blessing

### Announcements

### Recessional Hymn *(as announced)*