Music at Communion

**Hymn**
Eat This Bread

J. Berthier

(1923-1994)

**Refrain:**
Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

**Hymn**
Take my life, and let it

Hollingside

Hymnal 707

**Post Communion Prayer**

Celebrate: Let us pray.

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**

Recessional

A mighty fortress is our God

Ein feste Burg

Hymnal 688

**Dismissal**

Celebrate: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

L'istesso Tempo and Allegro moderato

A. Clarke

(b. 1942)

Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the Chapter House.

**Ministers For Today**

Celebrant and Preacher

Dean Gibson

First Reading

Grant Zarr

Second Reading

Margaret Thigpen

Intercessor

Gary Kehrer

Chalice Bearers

Henry Seawell, Mark Weeks

Oblationers

Mike Gibson, Elinor Gibson

Crucifers

Jordan Chow, Canon Russell

Acolytes

William Russell, Elizabeth Elliott

Children’s Chapel

Corinne Betbeze, Kim Ellis

Altar Guild

Carolyn Stephenson, Lyn Bennett, Holly Hall, Nancy Stephens, Lynn Yankie

Flower Guild

Kay Whiting, Missy Patrick

Ushers

Paul Clinton, Chris Humre, Gene Moree

Hospitality Team

Kathy Tharber, Natalie Coyle, Gretchen Cooper, Mary Esther Elliott, Liz Ferguson, Susan Garth

**Christ Church Cathedral**

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We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. A nursery is available.

A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service begins.

Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.

**Prelude**

Improvisation

C. W. Powell

(b. 1990)

**The Word of God**

Procesional Hymn

Westminster Abbey

“Christ is made the sure foundation”

Hymnal 518

Children’s Chapel (ages 3 to 5 Grade 3) Children process with the leader to the Chapel and return at the peace.

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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 in excelsis**

Hymnal S-280

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;

we 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 of the Day**

BCP 230

Celebrate: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrate: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
The Lessons

First Reading: 2 Samuel 1:1-17
Reader: A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah, it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said: Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places! How the mighty have fallen! Tell it not in Gath, proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon; or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice, the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult. You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more. From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty. Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions. O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel. How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women. How the mighty have fallen, and in our love for you

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 130 De Profundis All chant in unison. BCP 784

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done a-miss; * O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning; * more than watchmen for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord; * for with the Lord there is mercy.

7 With him there is plenteous re-demption; * and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in earnest eagerness, and in our love for you—for we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this manner I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.