

## Before & After Services

You may join others in the Parish Hall for Coffee & Conversation before the service and after the service. Please maintain social distancing protocols, as set by the CDC & the Diocese.

Always keep conversations to the Narthex and Parish Hall. Please maintain a quiet, contemplative space in the worship area

## Upcoming Events!

Saturday, May 8th - 9am - 2pm

Please join us for our **Parish Workday**. We will be cleaning out storage areas, fixing up the inside and outside, and purging items no longer needed! If you would like to help, come join us! We'll have pizza & drinks! We will use our masks and maintain social distancing for everybody's health.

Sunday, May 23rd - Pentecost Sunday! We will be opening our Time Capsule from 1996, having an outdoor worship, and some treats and eats along with some LIVE music from Richie West's band!

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## ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30 a.m.

May 9, 2021

Mother's Day & Rogation Sunday



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**Prelude**                    *“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”*                    **Organ**

**Processional**            *“Christ For The World We Sing” (vs 1,2,4)*            **Hymnal 537**

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring  
with loving zeal;  
the poor and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,  
sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.

2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring  
with fervent prayer;  
the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed,  
redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.

4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring  
with joyful song;  
the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,  
inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ is risen.                    **BCP 355**

**People:**     ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

**Celebrant:** 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.***

**The Gloria - sung**                    **BCP 356/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;  
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,**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to  
love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to  
you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.***

**The Blessing**                    **BCP 835**

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of  
the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of ever-  
lasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our  
fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the  
consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus  
Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**The Recessional Hymn**

*“In Christ There Is No East or West” (vs 1,2,3)*            **Hymnal 529**

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North,  
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be!  
Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in him meet South and North,  
all Christly souls are one in him, throughout the whole wide earth.

**The Dismissal**                    **BCP 366**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

**Postlude**                    *“We Plow The Fields and Scatter”*                    **Organ**

**“We See The Lord” (vs 1-4)**

**SOP 78**

We see the Lord, We see the Lord,  
And He is high and lifted up, And His train fills the Temple,  
He is high and lifted up, And His train fills the Temple.  
The angels cry, “Holy.” The angels cry “Holy.”  
The angels cry, “Holy is the Lord!”

We see the Lord, We see the Lord,  
and His face shines forth as a light in the Temple,  
and His face shines forth as a light in the Temple,  
The seraphs cry, “Worthy”, The seraphs cry “Worthy”,  
The seraphs cry, “Worthy is the Lord!”

We hear the Lord, We hear the Lord,  
and His word issues forth and resounds through the Temple,  
and His word issues forth and resounds through the Temple.  
The elders cry, “Amen”, The elders cry, “Amen”,  
The elders cry, “Amen! It is so!”

We bless the Lord, We bless the Lord,  
and as incense goes up, —so our prayers fill the Temple,  
and as incense goes up, —so our prayers fill the Temple.  
The people cry, “Glory”, The people cry, “Glory”,  
The people cry, “Glory to the Lord!”

**The Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP 366**

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Holy God, **BCP 356**  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,

**People:** **Have Mercy Upon Us**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

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

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

**BCP 225**

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson**

**See insert**

Reader: A Reading from Acts 10:44-48

*After the reading:*

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 98**

**BCP 727-See insert**

**The Second Lesson**

**See insert**

Reader: A Reading from 1 John 5:1-6

*After the reading:*

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Processional**     *“Fairest Lord Jesus” (vs 1,2)*     **Hymnal 383**

1 Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,  
O Thou of God and man the Son;  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,  
thou, my soul’s glory, joy and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

**The Gospel**     **John 15:9-17**     **See insert**

*At the Gospel reading:*

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John..  
**People:**     ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

*After the Gospel is read:*

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

**Gospel Recessional**     *“Fairest Lord Jesus” (vs 3)*     **Hymnal 383**

3 Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
and all the twinkling. starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
than all the angels heaven can boast.

**The Sermon**     **Fr. Steve Karcher**

*A moment of reflection follows*

**Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries/Deployments**

**Celebrant:** These are the Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Draw near, *either in spirit or in person*, and receive  
them in remembrance that Christ died for us. Let  
us feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(Please come to Jesus’ table for Communion or a Blessing.)*

**Communion Hymns**

***“Alleluia No. 1” (vs 1-5)***     **SOP 4**

*Refrain:*  
*Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,*  
*Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation. *Refrain.*

Spread the good news o’er all the earth.  
Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain.*

We have been crucified with Christ.  
Now we shall live forever. *Refrain.*

God has proclaimed the just reward:  
Life for all men, alleluia! *Refrain.*

Come, let us praise the living God,  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour. *Refrain.*

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

*People and Celebrant*

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**


## The Breaking of the Bread

Hymnal S-154

Celebrant: 

People: 





## The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

*All stand (as you are able) and say:*

**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 worshipped 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 - Form V

BCP 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "**Lord, have mercy**"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond*

**Lord, have mercy.**

For *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kathryn, our own Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

***We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***

***The Celebrant continues***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

## **Sanctus**

## **Hymnal S-130**

*(Sung)*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, 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.***

*The people stand or kneel (as you are able)*

### ***The Celebrant continues***

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for those who are absent], that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

Rejoicing in the fellowship of St. Christopher and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

***To you, O Lord our God.***

*Silence*

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**Celebrant:** On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms.

Let us pray for all mothers; for our own mothers, both those living and those who we have lost; for the mothers who loved us fully, and for those who fell short of that; for all who hope to be mothers, for those whose hope to bear children has been frustrated and for those whose love is shared with children born by another woman.

For all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have been our substitute mothers. We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. **Amen.**

**The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.** **BCP 395**

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Confession of Sin** **BCP 360**

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

*Minister and People:*

**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.**

**The Absolution**

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

**The Peace** *(shared by waving, smiling, peace signs, etc., from one's pew)*

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

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

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Sentence** **BCP 376**

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

*(Feel free to drop any offering in the plate at the rear, as you leave today.)*

**Offertory Meditation** **Organist**

*(The Priest prepares the Table)*

**The Great Thanksgiving** **BCP 367**

**Eucharistic Prayer B** **Hymnal S-120**

The musical notation is set in a single system with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with lyrics: "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The lyrics are written below the notes, and the notes are connected by slurs and ties. There are also some decorative flourishes above certain notes.

**The Celebrant proceeds:**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.