

AS THE FATHER HAS LOVED ME...

...so have I loved you. Remain in my love.

This is my commandment: that you love one another, as I have loved you.

God is love, and those who live in love, live in God, and God lives in them.

If you keep my commandments, to remain in my love,...

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

as I have loved you, then your joy will be complete.

John 15:9-12



welcome

"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me." - Matthew 10:40

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you. We are bound together by Christ's love for all people everywhere and united in the common mission to seek and serve God in all persons.



We hope you will continue to join us to explore how you and your family can grow in the spiritual journey through the Episcopal faith at Christ Church. Bring your family and friends.

We're glad you're here today.

New to Christ Church Greenwich?

Please complete a Welcome Card found in the pew pockets or in the foyer. Hand the card to an usher or clergy and we will get in touch with you very soon.



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Ask an Usher for a device to use during the service.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 5, 2024 · 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist · **Rite II**

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on Erschienen ist der herrlich' Tag

Ethel Smyth (1858-1944)

The glorious day has appeared, over which no one can rejoice enough: Christ, our Lord, triumphs today, He leads all his enemies captive. Alleluia!

Please stand as the introduction begins

Hymn 392 sung by all

Come, we that love the Lord Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: Vineyard Haven, Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

People 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 sung by all

Hymnal S 278

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Please sit



Children's Chapel is our "Sunday School." Young children are invited to follow the cross to the Chapel where they will learn about God, prayer, and faith.

Older children (3rd-5th grade) are invited to "Bagels and Bibles" in the Library, on the right side of the Main Sanctuary.

The children will rejoin their parents in the church during the announcements.



Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Remain seated as we say together

Psalm 98

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

3 The Lord has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *

the lands and those who dwell therein.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *

and the peoples with equity.

Please stand

Sequence Hymn 705 sung by all

As those of old their first fruits brought

Words: Frank von Christierson (1900-1996), alt.

Music: Forest Green, English melody; adapt. And harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Gospel John 15:9-17

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *please sit after the opening prayer*

The Very Rev. Dane Boston

Please stand

The Nicene Creed said by all

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Please stand or kneel

Prayers of the People: Form III

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Please stand

The Peace p. 360

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please sit

Greetings and Notices

Welcome Newcomers!

If you are new to Christ Church Greenwich complete the welcome card found in the pews and on tables in the foyer and hallway. Please give the card to an usher or a member of the clergy, and someone will be in touch with you soon.



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Offertory Anthem sung by the choir

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Remain in my love. This is my commandment: that you love one another, as I have loved you. God is love, and those who live in love, live in God, and God lives in them. If you keep my commandments, to remain in my love, love one another, as I have loved you, then your joy will be complete.

Words: John 15:9-12 Music: *The Father's Love* Simon Lole (b. 1957)

Please stand as the ushers bring the offerings to the Celebrant. They are presented and placed on the altar. We sing together:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him, all creatures here below, Alleluia. Alleluia.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C

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CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and

praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar

space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth,

our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed

us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against

one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages

you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the

way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with

prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in

their unending hymn:

Sanctus and Benedictus sung by all

Hymnal S 128

Please remain standing or kneel

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Celebrant Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this

sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his

coming.

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great

High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer said by all

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The Breaking of the Bread and the Invitation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.



How to Receive Communion

All are invited to receive Communion. Extend both hands palms up, placing one hand directly on top of the other. You can dip the bread into the wine or sip from the cup at all stations. For gluten free (GF) wafers, please extend both palms down. A special GF chalice is available on the credence table.

Members of our Pastoral Care Team take Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound, reside in local assisted living or nursing facilities.

Communion Hymn 305 sung by all

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt. Music: *Rosedale*, Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

Post Communion Anthem *sung by the St. Nicholas Choir*

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning Give me oil in my lamp, I pray Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning Keep me burning 'til the break of day

Refrain:

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna Sing hosanna to the King of Kings Sing hosanna, sing hosanna Sing hosanna to the King of Kings

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising...

Refrain

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting...

Refrain

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving...

Refrain Words: Child Bible Songs
Music: Traditional

Post Communion Prayer said by all

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Celebrant

Let us pray.

People 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.
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.

Blessing

Please stand

Hymn 523 sung by all

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt. Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Fantasy on Easter Hymn

William Harris (1883-1973)

You are warmly invited to stay and listen to the postlude, played on our outstanding Harrison & Harrison organ, along with many members of our parish both in church and online who love organ music. We request that if you wish to have conversations, please move to the Chapel Foyer.

The altar flowers are given...

in loving memory of Minnie Brown Hrnciar, by Linda McCullough; in loving memory of Gordon C. MacDonald, by his family; in loving memory of William Towson Taylor Boyd, by his family.

Serving today

CelebrantThe Rev. Dr. Cheryl McFaddenPreacherThe Very Rev. Dane Boston

Assistant Clergy The Rev. Terry Elsberry, The Rev. Deacon Susie McNiff,

The Rev. Tim Hamlin

Director of Music Jamie Hitel

Associate Director of Music Jonathan Vaughn St. Nicholas Choir Director Sarah Harris

Choirs St. Cecilia Choir of Girls

Christ Church Boys Choir

St. Nicholas Choir

Altar Guild Jane Snowdon, Jacqueline Wetenhall

Lector Lynda Cesiro
Verger Timothy Carpenter

Acolytes Liam Holligan, Foard McCallion

Eucharistic Ministers Kip Burgweger, Lynn Garelick, Melissa Redmond

Head Usher Patricia Baity

Ushers Keith Josephson, Marcia Josephson, Blanche O'Connell,

Monica Prihoda

This week's services

Tonight at 5pm Choral Evensong in the Church

Sunday 12 at 8am Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Chapel
Sunday 12 at 10am Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Church

Sunday 12 at 5pm Compline in the Church

Reserve your spot on christchurchgreenwich.org

Sunday, May 5, 11:15 am Sunday Forum with The Very Rev. Dane Boston Parish Hall

"Come Boldly Unto the Throne of Grace: Cathedral Ministry in the 21st Century and Beyond." Join us as the Very Reverend Dane Boston, our former curate and now Dean of Trinity Cathedral in Columbia, South Carolina, explores the purpose of cathedrals in the current and future Church.

Wednesday, May 8, 12:00 pm, Preach & Teach with Rev. Tim Hamlin Chapel

Join us at lunchtime for this 30 minute Holy Eucharist. Lunch will be served after the service on the first Wednesday of every month. In-person only.

Thursday, May 9, 7:00 pm, Fire & Friends

Tomes-Higgins House

The women of the parish gather for fun, fellowship, and delicious bites while we discuss a range of topics. Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Cheryl McFadden and other wonderful women from our community.

Saturday, May 11, 8:30 - 11:30 am Volunteer for Spring Treat Boxes!

Help bring springtime joy into the lives of parishioners who need cheer. We need volunteers to donate cookies (preferably home-baked) and to help create decorative boxes (with instruction!). We especially need volunteers to deliver the boxes to local parishioners who are so happy to receive thoughtful gifts from their church. Sign up on the CCG website.

Thursday, May 16, 6:30 pm, Author Talk with Peter Layne Arguimbeau Dogwood Books & Gifts

Renowned painter Peter Layne Arguimbau is most notorious for his classical marines. His work is owned by art collectors all over the world. The focus of his life's work has been applying his skill through his love of the sea, producing masterpieces of America's Cup contenders to every class of vessel ranging from fine racing sloops, schooners, catboats and dinghies. Peter sails on S/Y Molly Rose, a 30 foot catboat built in 1935, that he frequently uses as his summer studio. Peter is going to talk about his life and work in an evening of conversation with a reception.

Thursday, May 23, 6:30 pm, Author Talk with Patricia Chadwick Dogwood Books & Gifts

In her newest book, "Breaking Glass: Tales from the Witch of Wall Street," Patricia Walsh Chadwick continues to tell the story of her bizarre upbringing that she began in her 2019 memoir, Little Sister. In this coming-of-age follow-up, she revisits her childhood through a different lens, offering insights into how the experiences of her early life shaped her character and helped her forge her path in business and finance.



A choral concert celebrating 90 years of the Choirs of Christ Church Greenwich Sung by the Combined Choirs of Christ Church Greenwich Saturday, June 1, 5:00 pm

Director of Music Jamie Hitel will be joined by Visiting Artist Dr Philip Moore and Visiting Artist-in-Residence Professor James O'Donnell directing the choirs in music based around the theme of 'Joy'.

A reception will follow the concert.





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