



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

Sunday, May 5
8 am



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.

**The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 5, 2024 · 8 a.m.**

Holy Eucharist · Rite II

Please stand

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.**

We say together

Gloria in excelsis

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And 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

The New Testament Reading

1 John 5:1-6

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

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

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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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We do not receive money from the Diocese or National Episcopal Church.
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Please stand

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer C*

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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 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:

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.

Please remain standing or kneel

The Celebrant continues

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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.

	<p style="text-align: center;">How to Receive Communion</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Members of our Pastoral Care Team take Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound, reside in local assisted living or nursing facilities.</p>
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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

Dismissal

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

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

The altar flowers are given...

in loving memory of Minnie Brown Hrniciar, 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

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Dr. Cheryl McFadden
<i>Preacher</i>	The Very Rev. Dane Boston
<i>Assistant Clergy</i>	The Rev. Tim Hamlin
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Rebecca Fretty
<i>Lector</i>	Stewart Lindsay
<i>Ushers</i>	Pete Danielsen

This week's services

Tonight at 5pm	Choral Evensong <i>in the Church</i>
Wednesday 8 at 12:15pm	Preach and Teach Eucharist (Rite I) <i>in the Chapel</i>
Thursday 9 at 6:30pm	Ascension Day Holy Eucharist (Rite I) <i>in the Church</i>
Sunday 12 at 8am	Holy Eucharist (Rite II) <i>in the Chapel</i>
Sunday 12 at 10am	Holy Eucharist (Rite II) <i>in the Church</i>
Sunday 12 at 5pm	Compline <i>in the Church</i>

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GREENWICH**
— 1749-2024 —

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Friday, September 13, 2024
6:30 pm
Reception, Seated Dinner, and Dancing
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