



# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II – 10:00 A.M.

## THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

THE REVEREND NOELLE YORK-SIMMONS, *Rector*  
THE REVEREND ABBOTT BAILEY, *Assisting Priest*

THE REVEREND ROBBIE LAUGHTON, *Associate Rector*  
ABBY MERK, KEVIN CRILEY, *Seminarians*  
*Childcare is available in the nursery*

PRELUDE Psalm-Prelude Set 1. No. 1 (Psalm 34:6)

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

### THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 489

The great Creator of the worlds

*Tallis' Ordinal*

### THE ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 FROM MASS ON EARLY AMERICAN TUNES

William Bradley Roberts

Glo - ry to God in the  
high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God heav'n-ly King, al -  
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for\_ your  
glo - ry. Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on\_ us\_ have  
mer-cy on\_ us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -  
ceive\_ our prayer, re- ceive our\_ prayer. For you a-lone are the  
Ho - ly One, you a - lone\_ are\_ the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus  
Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - ther. A - - - - - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The People are seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse~ a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger. For thus says the LORD: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*All children ages three through third grade are invited to Children's Chapel. Parents are encouraged to accompany very young children as they learn the rhythms of this service designed especially for children.*

*The children will return before communion.*

## PSALM 14(Sung by the Choir)

Anglican Chant: James Turle

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*  
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- 2 The LORD looks down from heaven upon us all, \*  
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless;  
all alike have turned bad; \*  
there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \*  
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the LORD?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, \*  
because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \*  
but the LORD is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \*  
when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners~ of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*The people stand and sing*

**HYMN 532**

How wondrous and great

*Old 104th*

**THE GOSPEL**

Luke 15:1-10

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people may be seated.*

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Noelle York-Simmons

*A period of silence for reflection will follow the sermon.*

*The people stand and say*  
**THE NICENE CREED**

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 worshiped 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 people may kneel or stand*  
**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Intercessor* Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

*Intercessor* In the beginning,

*People* **God was.**

*Intercessor* Here and now,

*People* **God is.**

*Intercessor* In the future,

*People* **God will be.**

*The response to each petition begins with "God, Giver of life,"*  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*All pray*  
**THE CONFESSION**

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 Celebrant says*

### THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

*All stand*

### THE PEACE

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

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

### BIRTHDAY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*We invite you to support the mission and ministries at Christ Church by making an offering.*

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### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Every child has known God,  
Not the God of names,  
Not the God of don'ts,  
Not the God who ever does anything weird,  
But the God who knows only four words.  
And keeps repeating them, saying:  
"Come Dance with Me."

Words: Hafiz  
Music: Ivo Antognini (b. 1963)

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people stand*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING / EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* God of all power, Source and Sustainer 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: shining light and enfolding dark; 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 the capacity for memory, reason, and skill. You made us stewards of your 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 eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, opening 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 FROM MASS ON EARLY AMERICAN TUNES

William Bradley Roberts

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 Lord, God of pow'r, of pow'r and might, heav'n and  
 earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues.*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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

*People:* **We celebrate Christ's death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.**

Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus

Christ our Savior. Sanctify us also, and 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.**

God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; 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. Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, 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.**

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

*All:* **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.**

#### AGNUS DEI FROM MASS ON EARLY AMERICAN TUNES

William Bradley Roberts



*To receive communion, please follow the ushers to the altar. Upon placing your hands forward, you will receive a wafer. You may consume it and then receive the wine from the chalice or hold onto the wafer and the chalice-bearer will intinct it for you. You may also cross your hands over your chest for a blessing to receive neither element or not to receive the wine.*

#### ANTHEM AT COMMUNION

Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears, within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown  
Has broken every barrier down,  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of thy great love  
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
Here for a season, then above,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

Music: Richard DeLong (1951-1994)

## SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,  
that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.  
*All* We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* 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.

## THE BLESSING

## THE CLOSING HYMN 423

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

*St. Denio*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Leader* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Concerto in A Minor after Vivaldi  
1. Allegro

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

In honor of Jason Abel on his 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at Christ Church

## WE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

Bud Harvey, Nancy Norman Riggs, Ron Weber, Tony Collins, Barbara Johnson

## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS

Holly Prousalis, Omar Sharif, the Hood, Doherty, Jennings, and Streyder families

## PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Bonnie-Lorraine Thiele, Barbara Cooley, Mary Crow, Gladys Hook, LaVerne Scott-Rayford, Michael Barrett,  
David Caleb, Gail & Ridge Multop, Ken Barry, Helen Lewis, Susanne O'Neill, Hadley Kimberlin,  
Anthony Graves-Buckingham, Stephen Modlin, Phil Lyons, Judy Meade, Tim Truxell, Benjamin Ensz,  
Sam Brathwaite, Kimberly Richmond, Jan Greco, Lawrence Fedewa

## NEW TO CHRIST CHURCH? PLEASE SCAN AND LET US KNOW!



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