

**ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

ROSEVILLE, MN



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Year B

**June 13, 2021**

**9:30 AM**

## Welcome to Worship with St. Christopher's!

**Wednesday service** at 12:15 p.m.

**Next Sunday's readings:** 1 Samuel 17:57—18:5, 10-16, or Job 38:1-11; Psalm 133 or 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41. (*Pentecost 4, Proper 7, Year B.*)

**Audio podcasts of sermons and recorded Sunday services** are available online at our website. Please click on Liturgy & Worship, and then Sermons.

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# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

*Prelude*

*Spirit of Gentleness*

—Jonathan Kohrs

*A bell sounds. All stand.*

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

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

## Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

*Said by all:* **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

*Said by all:*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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,  
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

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray: Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## **The Lessons**

### **A Reading from the book of Ezekiel [17:22-24]**

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

### **Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14** *Read together*

**It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, \***  
**and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;**  
**To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \***  
**and of your faithfulness in the night season;**  
**On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \***  
**and to the melody of the harp.**  
**For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; \***  
**and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**  
**The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \***  
**and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.**  
**Those who are planted in the house of the Lord\***  
**shall flourish in the courts of our God;**  
**They shall still bear fruit in old age; \***  
**they shall be green and succulent;**  
**That they may show how upright the Lord is, \***  
**my Rock, in whom there is no fault.**

### **A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Corinth [5:6-10, 14-17]**

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are

convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*The people stand.*

### **The Gospel—Mark 4:26-34**

*Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

*Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.*

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*The people sit.*

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Marilyn Baldwin

*The people stand.*

### **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 Prayers of the People**

*Form 6, BCP p. 392*

*Intercessor:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**All: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Craig our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence.*  
*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*  
**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

*Response:* **Amen.**

*The people stand*

## The Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*The people sit.*

## Greetings & Announcements

## The Holy Communion

*Please stand as you are able as the gifts are brought forward.*

## Offertory Music

—Jonathan Kohrs

*Sing with all the Saints*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C, BCP p. 369

*The people stand.*

*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.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

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

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

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:

*Celebrant and 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, 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 Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he 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, he 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,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our ancestors; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Deborah and Rahab; 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.

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

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.**

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

### **The Invitation**

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Communion Music**

—Joe Fried

*Wind*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

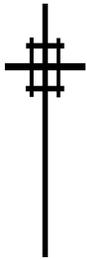
**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father,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

## **The Blessing and Dismissal**

*The Clergy says the blessing and dismissal.*

*The People respond: **Thanks be to God.***

## **Postlude**



Meet Christ  
Be Christ

## **THE *CHRISTOGRAM*** News & Announcements for the Week of June 13, 2021

### **Lemonade on the Lawn**

We have turned the “lemons” of zooming, masking and social distancing of the past year into lemonade! Please join us for a ***Lemonade on the Lawn*** gathering after the 9:30 a.m. service, in the Kitchen Garden (near the main entry). Thanks to Connie Hendrick and Allison Jensen for hosting this week! We hope to have others sign up to host at least one Sunday through the summer. Please contact Connie Hendrick at [c-hend@umn.edu](mailto:c-hend@umn.edu) or 612-306-0182. Thank you! Cheers!



### **Hearts and Hands Returns!**

The Hearts and Hands group will begin meeting again on Thursday, June 24th at 10:30. We will be making fleece blankets for children and hopefully having coffee together for the first time in many months. Everyone is welcome. If you plan to come bring scissors. Questions, call Sally Brown at 651-483-8232.

### **Postcards!**

Now that many of us are able to begin traveling again, we hope that you will send us a postcard for our bulletin board, from wherever life takes you!



### **"Stand By to Stand By!" COVID-19 protocols in transition**

I am using a public safety phrase about standing ready to transition to another mode of operation. We continue to adapt to the most recent guidance and recommendations on COVID-19 health best practices. We will continue to mask for indoor worship services and refrain from congregational singing at this time. The church building is open for all for worship, activities, meetings and authorized events. Eucharist will continue to be distributed to worshippers at their seats, and we continue to refrain from sharing the common cup. Food or drink will be limited to outdoor gatherings. Any questions, please contact Fr. Randy+

### **Are you shopping online at Amazon?**

When you shop for Father's Day gifts at [smile.amazon.com/ch/41-6009110](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-6009110), AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchases to St Christophers Episcopal Church at no cost to you!" 53 persons are shopping for St. Christopher's at Amazon. Our most recent quarterly donation received was \$44.65!

## ***Parish Prayer List***

***Please pray for our Members and Friends who are in Acute need:***

John Brudvik, Mildred Forst, Bp. Ed Leidel

***Please pray for our Shut Ins and Members with ongoing needs:***

Mary Barkley	Harold Danley	Denise Poss
Jean Brandt	Michael Elsen	Jean Swesey
Dan Brown	Williametta Hall	Evelynne Thompson
Dennis Buechler	Mary Hebert	Judy Welch
Ruth Buechler	Don Horton	Joe Westenfield
Betty Carr	Dave Ingram	Marliss Westenfield
Pamela Case	Ken Ives	Barb Wilkinson
	Chris Peterson	Roberta Williams

***Please pray for our family and friends with ongoing needs:***

La'Davionne Garrett Jr., Andy Rockwood, Gary Veazey, Alan Sletten, Kris & Robin Werner, Mary Henne, Bonnie, Brian Hogan, Carol Haskin, Allison & Beth, Dan B., Bonnie, Lois Purrington, Jerry, Renee Forst, Jack Cork, Olivia McLoughlin, Elizabeth Bergum, Steve & Pam, Kirk Ingram, Amy, Marmie, Ann, Russ Amling, Jim VonDe Linde, Conner Eischens, Dave Waring, Sydney Eischens, Kit Corti, Missy Peterson.

**Pray for all who have died.**

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer,** please pray for the Diocese of Chicago.

**In the Episcopal Church in Minnesota Cycle of prayer,** please pray for all Ecumenical Ministries throughout Minnesota, especially for the Minnesota Council of Churches and all those who work with social service agencies. Please pray also for Grace Church faith community in Wabasha.

**Please pray** for children caught in crisis at our borders, and around the world. Please pray for our neighbors who are refugees and immigrants. Please pray for peace in the Middle East. Please pray for our President, Vice President, and the Congress of the United States. Please pray for the victims of the Coronavirus, and for the caregivers and first responders who care for them. Please pray for world peace, and justice for all people.

**Please pray** for our enemies and for those who wish us harm.

**In Thanksgiving:** we give thanks for the Garden and Giving garden teams for their time and efforts in making our grounds lovely and productive; and for the ministries of our members as they continue to live as the Church away from our building.

**We remember** those who celebrate Birthdays and Anniversaries this week:

14 Elaine Norling, Emily Trapnell  
15 Roberta Williams  
16 Dennis Buechler  
17 Sandy Wittmann

15 Don & Julie Shiek  
17 Chris and Karen Hartman  
17 Joel and Leslie Norton  
18 Dave and Joan Ingram

## **Parish Events This Week**

*Office Hours Monday-Friday 9 AM—4 PM*

### **Sunday, June 13—Pentecost 3**

**9:30 a.m.**  
10:30 a.m.

**Holy Eucharist**  
Lemonade on the Lawn (Fellowship)

### **Monday, June 14**

6:45 p.m.

Finance Committee—Parish Hall

### **Tuesday, June 15**

#### ***ChristoGram Deadline***

*10:00 a.m.*  
11:30 a.m.  
*6:00 p.m.*

*Private Spiritual Direction—Library—to 11 AM*  
Meals on Wheels—Offsite  
*Brian Boru Irish Pipe Band—Parking Lot*

### **Wednesday, June 16**

10:30 a.m.  
**12:15 p.m.**  
*6:30 p.m.*

Stewardship Team Meeting – Parish Hall  
**Holy Eucharist—Church**  
*Roseville AA – Parish Hall*

### **Thursday, June 17**

*9:00 a.m.*  
10:00 a.m.

*Flute Lessons—Music Room*  
*Private Spiritual Direction—Library—to 11 AM*

### **Friday, June 18**

### **Saturday, June 19**

### **Sunday, June 20—Pentecost 4**

#### **Happy Father's Day**

**9:30 a.m.**  
10:30 a.m.

**Holy Eucharist**  
Lemonade on the Lawn (Fellowship)



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