



the well

Order of Worship

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

July 21, 2024
5:00 p.m.

*We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. Since 1839,
this Christian community has gathered for worship.*

 *The Cathedral is equipped with a hearing loop for assisted listening via telecoil.*

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost **The Holy Eucharist**

five o'clock in the evening

THE REV. CANON LIZ KRONENBERG
Celebrant

MICHELLE GIRARDOT
Cantor

*Good evening and welcome to The Well. The order of service has been adapted
to observe the season after Pentecost. We are so glad that you are here.
Come close, draw near, and receive the grace of God.*

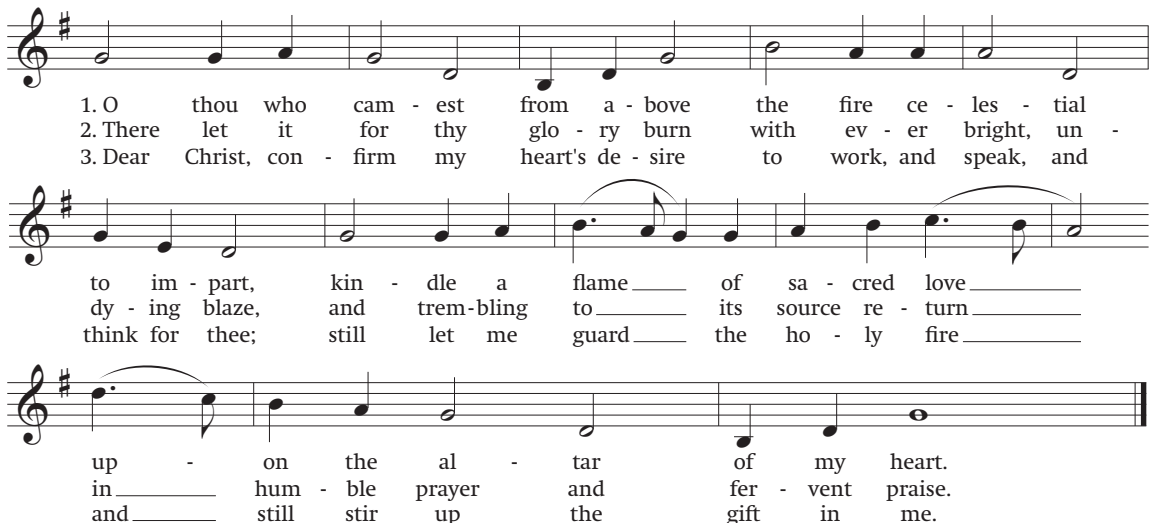
OPENING MUSIC TRADITIONAL IRISH TUNES

PRAYER FOR THE EVENING

Lord, you have brought us through this day to a time of reflection and rest. Calm us, and give us your peace to refresh us. Keep us close to you that we may be closer to one another because of your perfect love. In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.**

Please stand.

HYMN



1. O thou who camest from above the fire celestial
2. There let it for thy glory burn with ever bright, un -
3. Dear Christ, confirm my heart's desire to work, and speak, and
to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love
dying blaze, and trembling to its source return
think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire
up on the altar of my heart.
in humble prayer and fervent praise.
and still stir up the gift in me.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

God of the storm's still eye: when we are overwhelmed by pressures and demands which cut us off from life, take us to a place apart where we might find again our true heart's center, our far horizon, the silence that awaits a world where we can breathe; through Jesus Christ, who brings us near to you. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PSALM 23

Dominus regit me

The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Please stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:30–34, 53–56

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

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

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard

he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

All sit.

THE REFLECTION

A period of silence is observed following the Reflection.

The People remain seated.

HYMN

Sung twice.

In the place of fear; In God's strength to up -
hold me. In the place of emp - ti - ness;
God's wis - dom there to guide me. In the place of con -
fu - sion; God's eye_ for my see - ing.
In the place of dis - cord; God's ear_ for my
hear - ing. In the place of froth;
God's word for my speak - ing to save me from dis -
trac - tions that harm my_ soul or bo - dy.

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INTERCESSIONS

The People stand. The intercessor says

Lord, may we bear the fruits of your Spirit: Give us love,
that boundless, healing energy which transforms the world; *silence*

Give us joy,
because no darkness or evil can overcome you; *silence*

Give us peace,
to quiet our hearts, and to free us from bitterness; *silence*

Give us patience,
to go on following you even when it is hard; *silence*

Give us kindness,
to reach out to our neighbor and to the person who needs to be loved; *silence*

Give us goodness,
to give with a generous heart and without ulterior motive; *silence*

Give us faithfulness,
to stay at your side, come what may; *silence*

Give us gentleness,
to respect the freedom and integrity of others; *silence*

Give us self-control,
to see our weaknesses and overcome them in your strength. *silence*

Lord, may we bear the fruits of your Spirit. **Amen.**

Additional prayers may be added.

CONFESSION

The intercessor continues

You prepare a place for us; we refuse your invitation. Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Your table is open to all; we keep it for ourselves. Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Your welcome is wild; we are caged by fear. Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant says

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER AND CANDLE LIGHTING

Following the Intercessions during the instrumental music, you are welcome to come forward to light a votive candle as a symbol of your prayer. As we see others light candles, we recognize that we are all carrying prayer concerns known to us alone, and we are reminded to treat one another with kindness and care. Tapers and votives are located to the right of the altar and in front of the transept to the left. Please feel free to go to either of these places to light a candle.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

Here is food that satisfies, the taste of communion. Here is wine pouring free, the washing away of fear. Here is life abundant, a table of peace for all. May this peace be in us and among us, a sign of hope for a world renewed.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, after which the people are seated for brief announcements.

OFFERTORY HYMN



1. Oh the life of the world is a joy and a
3. Oh the life of the world is the source of our
4. So give thanks for the life and give love to the



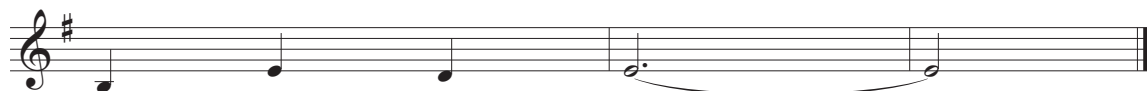
trea - sure, un - fold - ing in beau - ty the
heal - ing. It ris - es in laugh - ter and
Ma - ker and re - joice in the gift of the



green - grow - ing tree, the chang - ing of sea - sons in
wells up in song; it springs from the care of the
bright ris - en Son. And walk in the peace and the



moun - tain and val - ley, the stars and the
poor and the bro - ken and re - fresh - es where
pow'r of the Spir - it till the days of our



bright rest - less sea.
jus - tice is strong.
liv - ing are done.

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The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

Lifegiving God, your word speaks in the void, calling into being things that are not, inviting us to share your work of creation.

We thank you for the ages long of gathering stars and cooling earth, of life evolving and waking eyes of wonder. We thank you for the creatures with whom we share the world, for their lives so different from our own and the richness they reveal. We thank you for the Son of Man, formed from Mary's flesh and nurtured by her faith; he walked the growing earth and proclaimed a fearless kingdom of bird and lily, child and stranger, the beggar and the blind. On the cross, he joined the labor of all creation's yearning; in his rising, he hallowed all flesh to bear the glory of God; he gives the brooding Spirit to bring to birth a living hope.

Therefore, with all that has life through him, with animals and angels and all who hope for a new creation, we share the song of love which sounds from all eternity:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.' In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, we come to him in whom all is created in heaven and on earth, whose cross and resurrection make all things new. We offer this to you, asking you to smile upon the gift we bring, for you alone are the Giver and Christ's the gift through which we live once and for all.

Through him who was emptied to bear your fullness we make our prayer with all created life to the glory of the God who fills all in all now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ;

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant Bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

People **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

At the direction of the ushers you are invited to form a single line in the central aisle to receive Communion in front of the altar.

The sacrament of Holy Communion has been precious to Christians for 2,000 years. It is a way in which many sense the reality of God's forgiveness, our union with God and each other, and the eternal life to which we belong. Please know that you do not have to be an Episcopalian to receive Communion. Receive the Bread in the palm of your hand and the Wine either by drinking from the cup or by intinction, touching the Bread to the Wine. Gluten-free Bread is available; simply ask. If you need Communion brought to you in the pew, please tell an usher.

The People stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

May we who have fed at Wisdom's table take her welcome out to where tables are reserved and doors are closed; may the Spirit drive us to break our bread on the altar of the world. Amen.

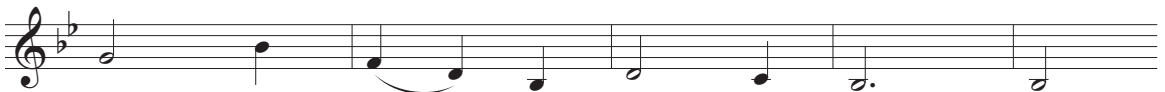
THE BLESSING

May the outrageous welcome of the Father accept us for who we are; may the incarnation of the Word touch and hold us close; may the wandering of the Spirit help us risk ourselves for love; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be with you this night and always. **Amen.**

HYMN



1. O for a clos - er walk ____ with
2. What peace - ful hours I once ____ en -
3. The dear - est i - dol I ____ have
4. So shall my walk be close ____ with



God, a calm ____ and heav'n - ly frame; ____
joyed, how sweet ____ their mem - 'ry still! ____
known, what - e'er ____ that i - dol be, ____
God, calm and ____ se - rene my frame; ____



a light to shine ____ u - pon ____ the
But they have left ____ an ach - ing
help me to tear ____ it from ____ thy
so pur - er light ____ shall mark ____ the



road that leads ____ me to the Lamb. ____
void the world ____ can nev - er fill. ____
throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee. ____
road that leads ____ me to the Lamb. ____

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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Entrust your life to the Lord of the open spaces and the time of adventure; to the life that pulses through rain drenched streets and mountain heights; to the love that sustains us through feast and famine. Let God's hope be a clearing sky before you, a compass in your heart guiding you to where you belong.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING MUSIC

TRADITIONAL IRISH TUNE

The Book of Remembrance

This week we remember Mimi Morris Ford.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Vitold (Veet) Kruka by Nancy Younger Kruka.

Becky Baxter, *Music Coordinator and Harpist for The Well*

Dr. Kimberly Clark, *flautist*

Ellie Herrera, *cellist*

Portions of this service come from "Prayers for an Inclusive Church" by Steven Shakespeare, published by Church Publishing, Inc. The intercessions for The Well have been adapted from "The Book of a Thousand Prayers," compiled by Angela Ashwin, pg. 361-362.

Please be advised that our services are Livestreamed to Vimeo and Facebook. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

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Welcome

Sunday, July 21, 2024

Announcements

- ❖ **Houston Holocaust Museum Tour** • Dive deeper into this summer's Cathedral Reads program, and learn more about the setting of our book selection, *The Book Thief*, with a guided tour of the Holocaust Museum Houston's exhibit — Bearing Witness: A Community Remembers. A group tour will be held on Saturday, July 27, at 11:45 a.m. Tickets are \$16, and space is limited. Register by July 22 to attend. Learn more and register at: www.christchurchcathedral.org/cathedralreads
- ❖ **Summer Sunday Altar Flowers** • Fresh altar flower arrangements for Sunday services may be donated to honor a friend or family member, a loved one, to celebrate a birthday or anniversary. There are still vacancies in July and August for Sunday altar flower donors. Please contact Lisa Viktorin at lviktorin@christchurchcathedral.org for more information.
- ❖ **Make a splash at Summer Shade!** • Cathedral Youth (and their friends) - rising 6th graders to graduating seniors - are invited along on a thrilling water adventure to spend the day at Typhoon Texas Waterpark, Thursday, July 25. Learn more and register at: www.christchurchcathedral.org/summershade
- ❖ **Episcopal Night at the Ballpark** • On Wednesday, July 31, support the Houston Astros and watch them beat the Pittsburgh Pirates at Minute Maid Park. The night begins at 5 p.m. with a pre-game cookout in the Bishop's Courtyard; enjoy complimentary food, drinks, and fellowship before the game! Learn more and buy tickets to the baseball game by visiting: www.christchurchcathedral.org/astros
- ❖ **Art Space for ALL** • During the 10 o'clock hour, on Sunday July 28, all are invited to find new ways to experience God through the beauty of art. Arts supplies and materials will be available, along with gentle prompts to get creative juices flowing. Light refreshments provided. We look forward to seeing what we can create together!
- ❖ **Education for Ministry** • Education for Ministry (EfM) is a four-year program of Christian formation and fellowship and encourages a deepened understanding of faith and how it lives out in the world. Open to lay people, no prior theological experience required. Meets Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. beginning Sept. 3. Learn more at: www.christchurchcathedral.org/efm
- ❖ **Wednesdays at the Cathedral** • Holy Eucharist is offered at 12:05 p.m. each Wednesday in Golding Chapel. Cathedral Tour Guides are available to welcome you at the bell tower from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. You may spend your time alone or the guide will share the Cathedral's rich history with you. While you're here, enjoy a delicious meal at Treebeards restaurant, open 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (M-F).
- ❖ **We want to know your Name!** • With new clergy, staff, and parishioners joining us each week, it's important that they be able to get to know us. Please help us foster a welcoming and inclusive environment by wearing a name tag (available at the Welcome Table). Questions? Contact Canon for Welcome and Discipleship, Rev. Luz Montes at lmontes@christchurchcathedral.org

*For more information about these and other events
at the Cathedral, visit www.christchurchcathedral.org.*

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