



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 14, 2026
11 a.m.

We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. Since 1839, this Christian community has gathered for worship. To learn more about the ministries we share in this place, you are invited to fill out one of the welcome cards found in the pew rack. We are glad you are here!

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

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

THE REV. LIZ KRONENBERG, *Canon Vicar*
Celebrant

*The Liturgy is found in The Book of Common Prayer (BCP).
Hymns and service music (S) are in The Hymnal 1982.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude on *Rhosymedre*

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

CHORAL INTROIT

Tone VII

V: Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am desolate, and in tribulation:

R: Look thou on mine affliction, and my travail; and forgive me all mine iniquities, O my God.

HYMN 535

Paderborn

The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *BCP page 323*

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY AND THE SUMMARY

GLORIA S 204

Old Scottish Chant

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy household the Church in thy steadfast faith and love, that by the help of thy grace we may proclaim thy truth with boldness, and minister thy justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 19:2-8a

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Be joyful in the Lord, all you/ lands; *
 serve the Lord with gladness
 and come before his presence with a /song.
 Know this: The Lord himself is/ God; *
 he himself has made us, and we are his;
 we are his people and the sheep of his /pasture.
 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
 go into his courts with /praise; *
 give thanks to him and call upon his/ Name.
 For the Lord is good;
 his mercy is ever/lasting; *
 and his faithfulness endures from age to /age.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 379

Abbot's Leigh

ALLELUIA

Tone II



Al - le - lú - ia.

V. **Alleluia.** Give me understanding, O Lord.
 R. And I shall keep your law with all my heart. **Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-10:23

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Nathaniel Katz, Dean

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

To the call, "We pray to you, O God," the people are invited to respond, "Come, Holy Spirit."

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

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

The Holy Communion

Offerings of alms and bread and wine are received.

AT THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

Sung in Latin

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: Serve the Lord with gladness, And come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God.

— *Psalm 100:1-2a*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II, page 340

SURSUM CORDA S 112

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S 114

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER CONTINUES

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FRACTION ANTHEM

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

AGNUS DEI S 158

Healey Willan

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. To receive, you may kneel or stand at the altar rail. 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 at the altar rail. If you need Communion brought to you in the pew, please tell an usher.

AT THE ADMINISTRATION

ANTHEM

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

—*Psalm 34:8*

Tiffany Campos, soloist

When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are taking the Sacrament to members of our Cathedral family:

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.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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THE BLESSING

HYMN 541

Ora Labora

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Recessional

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Cathedral tours, highlighting the history of our beautiful building, are given by a Cathedral Tour Guide each Sunday following the 11 o'clock service. Join the guide under the Crucifixion Window at the rear of the nave.

Readings this Week from the *Revised Common Lectionary*

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

THE EPISTLE

Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-10:23

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out

demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. “See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

The Book of Remembrance

This week we remember Joseph Adams Harris Jr.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of the Rev. Brett McCleneghan who was ordained to the priesthood at St. James on June 11, by Carol and Andy Vickery.

*To support the ministry outreach of the
Cathedral, please scan to donate.*



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Welcome

Sunday, June 14, 2026

Announcements

- ❖ **World Cup Hospitality Ministry: June 14–July 19** • Houston is welcoming visitors from around the globe, and we have a unique opportunity to be a bright, radiant beacon of welcome, love, and hospitality to all who travel through our doors. We're greeting visitors with water, hospitality, information, invitations to pray, and a quiet space for reflection. We have great momentum, but many slots still need to be filled! Sunday slots are one hour; weekday slots are two hours. To sign up, stop by the hospitality on your way out, find the sign-up form in last week's e-news, or get in touch with Elizabeth Cuevas. This is our chance to be a generous, welcoming presence right from the very first whistle.
- ❖ **Cathedral Reads Summer Reading Groups** • Join with fellow parishioners to discuss this summer's read, *Encounters with Unexpected Animals*. Two groups will meet: one on Sundays in person at 10 a.m. and one on Wednesdays via zoom at 6:30 p.m. beginning the week of June 14. Join the Cathedral Reads Kickoff this Monday, June 15 via zoom at 6:30 p.m. with author and UH professor Antonya Nelson who'll help orient us to the short-story genre. Find the Zoom link on the calendar on our website.
- ❖ **Father's Day Reception** • Latino Ministry invites our entire community to celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 21. We will gather in Reynolds Hall from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. to honor all fathers on their special day.
- ❖ **Youth Summer Shade: The Treehouse Cup** • Contact Marcia Quintanilla for more info or to sign up.
 - June 14: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. FIFA Fan Fest
 - June 26: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hurricane Harbor Splashtown
- ❖ **Organ Mini-Concerts — Sounds of the World: Pipes, Praise & Fútbol** • During the World Cup, Christ Church Cathedral invites the community to a special concert series celebrating music, culture, and connection. Each week (June 17, 23, 24, 29, and July 1) from 10:30–11 a.m., Cathedral Organist, Valentina Huang, and guest organists will present 30-minute mini-concerts designed for both music lovers and first-time listeners alike. Admission is completely free.
- ❖ **Cathedral Sees: "Pride" at the River Oaks Theatre, Saturday, 2:30 p.m** • The Cathedral will sponsor a showing of *Pride* at the historic River Oaks Theatre on Saturday, June 20 at 2:30 p.m. Welsh miners and London's gay and lesbian activists find common cause in this warm, true story of unlikely solidarity. Please purchase tickets directly from the River Oaks Theatre. Link is available on our website calendar.

*For more information on these events or to RSVP,
visit christchurchcathedral.org/calendar*