



Second after Pentecost
June 2 , 2024 — 9:00 am

Christ Church

(Episcopal / Anglican)

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Christ Church
Riverton, New Jersey
Second Sunday after Pentecost
THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite I
June 2, 2024 — 9:00 A.M.

Prelude “*TrumOf Mpet Tune*” H. Purcell
“*Fantasy in C Major*” J. S. Bach

Processional Hymn 516 “*Come Down O Love Divine*”

The people standing, the Officiant says

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

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

Officiant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: ***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

Officiant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

***All Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.***

***We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify
thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,***

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the onlybegotten Son, Jesus Christ;

***O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest
away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.***

***Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.***

***Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.***

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And with thy Spirit.***

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading (Lesson) from Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

Solo “*Wexford*”

Irish Melody

Psalm 81:1-10 *Exultate Deo*

1. Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
2. Raise a song and sound the timbrel, *
the merry harp, and the lyre.
3. Blow the ram’s-horn at the new moon, *
and at the full moon, the day of our feast.
4. For this is a statute for Israel, *
a law of the God of Jacob.
5. He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, *
when he came out of the land of Egypt.
6. I heard an unfamiliar voice saying *
***“I eased his shoulder from the burden;
his hands were set free from bearing the load.”***

7. You called on me in trouble, and I saved you; *
*I answered you from the secret place of thunder
and tested you at the waters of Meribah.*
8. Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: *
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!
9. There shall be no strange god among you; *
you shall not worship a foreign god.
10. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land
of Egypt and said, *
“Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.”

A Reading (Lesson) from 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus’ sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

The Gospel Hymn *“Here I am Lord”*

See insert

Then, all standing, the Deacon:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Mark 2:23-3:6

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

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the

grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Leslie Mazzacano, *Deacon*

The Nicene Creed (*All Standing Spoken*)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for

us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the
Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who
spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and
Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.
Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught
us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all
men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine
Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal
Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant
that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the
truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers
especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our
Presiding Bishop, Sally, our Bishop, Donald our Priest, Leslie
our Deacon. and all bishops, priests and deacons and those who
serve the People of God, that they may, both by their life and
doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and
duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Hear our prayers, O God.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to
this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due
reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly

-serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Hear our prayers, O God.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joseph our President and Phil our Governor , that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Hear our prayers, O God.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Hear our prayers, O God.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially *Ruth, Sharon, Donna, Cheryl, Carol, Jeanette, Susan, Lynn, Jane, Cynthia, Katie, Kelly, Eileen, Doris, Sean, Arlene, Barry, Joan, Mel, Carol, Pat, Paul, David, Natalie, Shannon, Sylvia, Alice, .*

Hear our prayers, O God.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially *John S. Goodrich, Bill Reed and Michael Reed*, and those memorialized with our Easter flowers: beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Hear our prayers, O God.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Amen.

The Peace *(All stand.)*

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Offertory Solo "Vivace"

G. F. Handel

The Doxology (*Hymnal 380 Verse 3*)

*All: Praise God of whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above the heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen*

The Holy Communion Rite I, Prayer I *pg. 333 BCP*

The people remain standing. The Officiant faces them and says

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

*People: **And with thy spirit.***

Officiant: Lift up your hearts.

*People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Officiant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People: **It is meet and right so to do.***

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy Holy, Holy Lord

*All: **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.

Preparation of the Table

The people kneel or stand. Then the Officiant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you gave life when your Spirit hovered over the face of the waters. Yours was the gift of a Son, who was with you from before all

worlds, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end of all which has been or shall be. By your grace, in and through him is wrought the wonder of our salvation. Forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you, bring us with all certainty to receive thy Son Jesus Christ as he is present in the mystery of the Sacrament now set before us, to our health and gladness. Prepare our hearts to embrace true life, which comes to all pilgrims that seek Him. For these priceless things which you have bestowed upon us in his Holy Name, we thank you.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said, the deacon first saying,

Let us pray in the words our Savior Christ hath taught us.

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.

All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Officiant the Invitation

The Deacon then genuflects. Taking the Bread, the Deacon raises it slightly over the altar and, facing the people, says the following invitation,

Officiant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your

hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Solo “*He Shall Feed His Flock*” G. F. Handel
“*Wake Every Breath*” G. Billings

Post Communion

Officiant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.

Amen.

Birthday Blessings

Anniversary Blessings

Announcements

Final Blessing

Recessional LEVAS 221 “*This Little Light Of Mine*”

The Deacon, or the Officiant, dismisses them with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another.

*People: **Thanks be to God!***

Organ Postlude “*Toccata in F Major*”

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THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR TODAY

are given in memory of *John S. Goodrich* by Beatrice G. Horn,
Robert Y. Cook, David A. Cook, and their families

THE CHAPEL SANCTUARY LIGHT is lit in loving memory of
Bill Reed and Michael Reed, by Jamie Reed

Participating in the 9am. Service

Musicians include: John Pinzka

Acolyte: Jeff Mack, Mary Shea, Shea Gulbin, Christian Gulbin

Lector: Joanne Grimes *Ushers:*

Altar Guild: Terri Bradshaw, Robin Vetter

Counters: Joan Atkinson, Marge Conti

MUSIC NOTES We will be singing first and last verses of three favorite hymns selected by the congregation next Sunday at the Offertory. You are invited to select from either hymnal!

MID-WEEK SERVICE A celebration of the Eucharist is held every Wednesday at 10:00. It includes special mention of the persons on the parish prayer list and asks for God's healing for the world. The Service lasts about 45 minutes, with a conversation on the Person and scriptures of the day.

MEDITATION GROUP - We are changing our meeting day. Beginning, Wednesday, June 12th, this group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Our meeting time will be 2:30 - 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome to participate. Contact Mel at 478-234-3698 if you have questions.

THURSDAY STUDY GROUP will not meet on Thursday, June 7. We will pick up on Thursday, June 14 with Week Seven of the program "The First Light". We will meet in the Rectory at 9 a.m.

MEN'S GROUP. We will meet for about an hour every first and third Saturday of each month @ 9:00 am, and we will talk about the things that are important for a man's spiritual life. It's an opportunity to deepen relationships with other men of the parish, too.

MINISTRY TO RIVERVIEW ESTATES - On the first and third Sunday of each month, at 3:00 pm Christ Church leads a Communion service for the residents. Members of the parish are welcome to help the participants beginning at 2:45.

FISHES AND LOAVES MINISTRY June 18th, Noon to 2pm
Join us for a free Lunch and Fellowship, all are invited and welcome, Bring a friend, Chair lift is available, No charge, but donations are welcome

WHO IS GRADUATING? WHO HAS WON A SPECIAL AWARD?

Please let us know who in your family is graduating or will graduate. Has anyone received a special award? Please let us know. These are great accomplishments and we would like to spread the good news. Please send your information to the Parish Office, 500 Fourth St., Riverton NJ 08077 or via e-mail at christriverton@juno.com.

**Fr. Don & Mel will be away this week,
in case of emergencies please contact
Deacon Leslie by phone 609-694-6164**

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