

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

23 June 2024 | 10:00 am

A Welcome from the Dean

Grace and peace be with you! On behalf of the Christ Church Cathedral family, I want to welcome you this morning into the warm embrace of this beloved community. We are so glad that you have chosen to spend time in worship and fellowship with us today.

Jesus said, “when two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them.” Indeed, it is my hope that, through our prayers, music, preaching, and fellowship at God’s table, you will feel the presence of Christ’s love incarnate in this place.

Our vision is to empower people of peace to reconcile, liberate, heal, and serve the world by living out the way of Christ’s love. In covenant with God and each other, our shared mission is to be Christ’s loving, healing, liberating, and reconciling presence in our city and in our diocese.

It is the custom of the Cathedral that during the Holy Eucharist, all are welcome at God’s table to receive the bread and wine, or, if you prefer, a blessing. You are also welcome to stay seated in quiet contemplation. Just know that no matter who you are, where you’re from, you are welcome at Christ Church Cathedral Cincinnati.

If you would like to learn more about the Cathedral and ways to connect and get involved, please fill out one of our visitor cards in the pews, one of our ushers will be happy to receive it and one of our clergy members will reach out in the coming week or use the QR code located in the pew.

If you are able, please join us for coffee and refreshments after the service in the undercroft (follow the signs), and if you are joining us on the third Sunday of the month, please join us for a tasty brunch, also in the undercroft.

Again, I welcome you, and give God thanks for your presence with us today!

Your Brother in Christ,
Dean Owen Thompson+

Children are welcome in worship! Many take delight in the sights, smells, and sounds of the liturgy. Families are welcome to sit anywhere in the nave. The **Pray and Play Pew** is an area designed specifically for little ones who need more room to move around. It includes items to help them worship their way—with wonder and wiggles. Another option for children and families is our **Children’s Room**. There you will find caring staff and a safe space for open play during the worship service. Each Sunday includes a “circle time” of scripture stories and music as well as a snack. Children are welcome to worship with their families and come to the Children’s Room just for circle time (during the sermon) or to come and stay for the entire service.

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Voluntary

Suite Gothique, Op. 25
III. Prière à Notre Dame

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral.

Hymn at the Entrance

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

The Hymnal 1982: No. 423

The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

And blessed be God’s reign, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

Song of Praise

Benedictus es, Domine

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Descant

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -
5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of
depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

_____ Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The First Lesson

A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

The Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. David rose early in the morning, left the sheep with a keeper, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry. Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers. As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him.

David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear

came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.” David said, “The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.” So Saul said to David, “Go, and may the Lord be with you!” Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul’s sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, “I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them.” So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd’s bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.” But David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord’s and he will give you into our hand.” When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49 (NRSV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

The Lord will be a refuge for the oppressed, *
a refuge in time of trouble.

Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, *
for you never forsake those who seek you, O Lord.

Sing praise to the Lord who dwells in Zion; *
proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.

The Avenger of blood will remember them; *
he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Have pity on me, O Lord; *
see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gate of death;
So that I may tell of all your praises
and rejoice in your salvation *
in the gates of the city of Zion.
The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, *
and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.
The Lord is known by his acts of justice; *
the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.
The wicked shall be given over to the grave, *
and also all the peoples that forget God.
For the needy shall not always be forgotten, *
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.
Rise up, O Lord, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; *
let them be judged before you.
Put fear upon them, O Lord; *
let the ungodly know they are but mortal.

Psalm 9:9-20

Chant: Joseph Pring (1776-1842)

The Second Lesson

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (NRSV)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

Hymn at the Sequence

He who would valiant be

The Hymnal 1982: No. 565

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Mark 4:35-41 (NRSV)

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

The Deacon bids the Prayers of the People, saying

Throughout our days, throughout our lives, and in all our wanderings, we come before you seeking your favor and blessing. O Lord, hear these our prayers.

The Intercessor offers prayers for the Church, the Nation, the welfare of the world, the community, those who suffer, and the departed.

after each petition

O Lord our God,
hear these our prayers.

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable collect. The People respond Amen.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 our Savior 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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus
Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says an Offertory sentence.

Anthem at the Offertory

God Is My Strong Salvation

The Christ Church Singers

God is my strong salvation; no enemy I fear;
He hears my supplication, dispelling all my care;
If he, my head and master, defend me from above,
What pain or what disaster can part me from his love?

I fully am persuaded, and joyfully declare,
I'm never left unaided, my Father hears my prayer.
His comforts never fail me, he stands at my right hand;
When tempests fierce assail me, they're calm at his command.

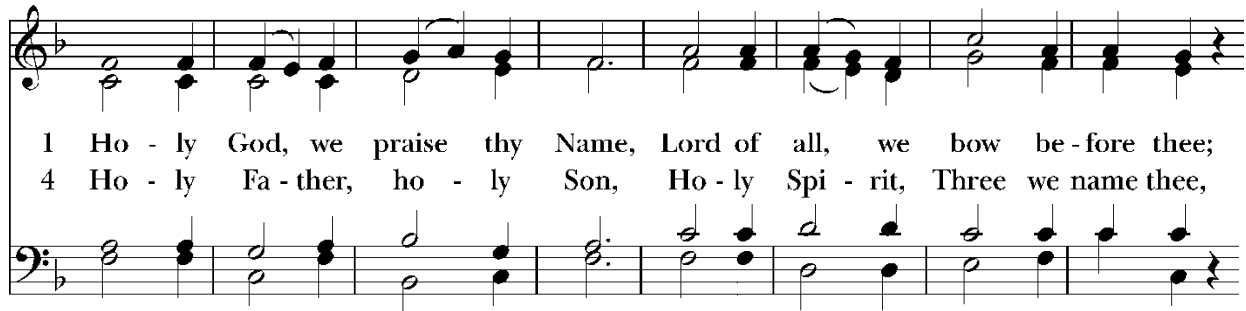
The ground of my profession is Jesus and his blood.
He giveth me possession of everlasting good.
To me his spirit speaketh many a precious word
Of rest to him who seeketh a refuge in the Lord.

My merry heart is springing, it can no more be sad;
With laughter and with singing, in God's own sunshine glad.
For Christ is now preparing his City new and bright;
Where saints his throne are sharing, and faith is turned to sight.


Text: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676), trans. J. C. Jacobi (1670-1750)
Music: Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

Hymn at the Presentation

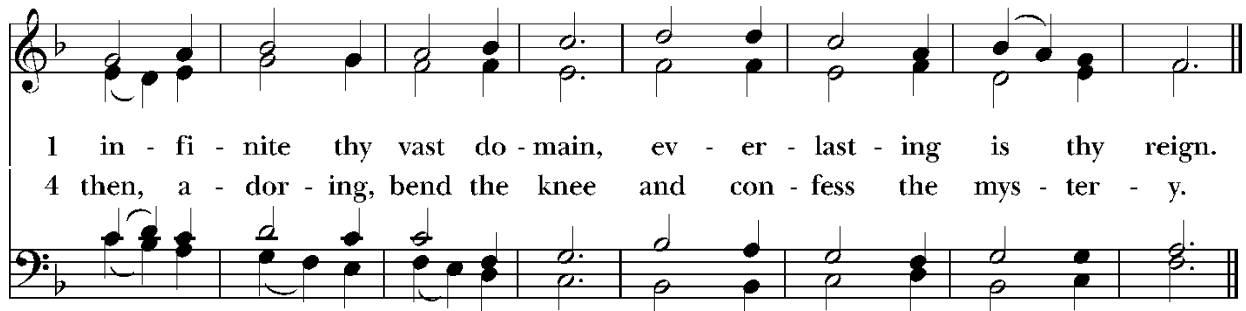
Holy God we praise thy Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee;
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three we name thee,



1 all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heaven a - bove a - dore thee;
4 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vi - ded God we claim thee;



1 in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
4 then, a - dor - ing, bend the knee and con - fess the mys - ter - y.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer C*

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

All voices

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who

High voices



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na,

Low voices



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



- san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

And so, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus, 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.

On the night Jesus 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, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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

**We celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection,
as we await the day of Christ's return.**

Lord God of our Ancestors; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; 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 the name of Jesus.

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

Accept these prayers and praises, O 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.**

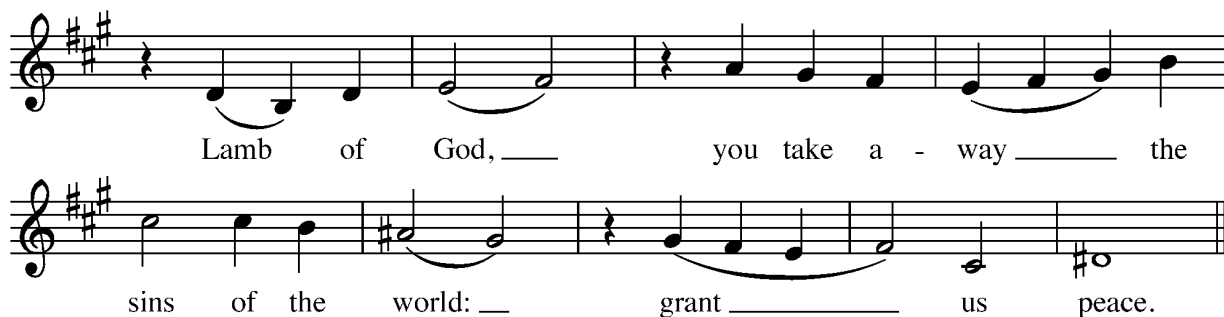
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

All voices

Lamb of God, you take a -
- way the sins of the world: have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.



The Celebrant says an Invitation to Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Music at the Communion

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

The Christ Church Singers

Jesus, Savior, pilot me,
Over life's tempestuous sea:
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rocks and treacherous shoal;
Chart and compass come from thee:
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child,
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey thy will
When thou sayest to them, "Be still!"
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore,
And the fearful breakers roar
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest,
Then, while leaning on thy breast,
May I hear thee say to me,
"Fear not, I will pilot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper (1818-1888)

Music: Stephan Casurella

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

The Hymnal 1982: No. 559

The People stand.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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 Christ**,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people. The People respond **Amen.***

Hymn at the Closing

Jesus, Lover of my soul

The Hymnal 1982: No. 699

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, says a dismissal. The People respond
Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

Suite Gothique, Op. 25
IV. Toccata

Léon Boëllmann



*Immediately after the organ voluntary, clergy are available for
healing prayer and anointing with oil at the communion rails.*

Please join us for coffee hour in the undercroft.

THE CHRIST CHURCH SINGERS

We welcome to our service today the Christ Church Singers, an un-auditioned ensemble that leads music in liturgy several times during the year. The Cathedral Choir returns next Sunday.

Ministers

The Very Reverend Owen Thompson, *Celebrant*

The Reverend Canon Brian Blayer, *Preacher*

The Reverend Canon Ted Albert, *Preacher*

Steve van Allen, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*

Sigrun Haude, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*

Pat Haug, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*

David Thomson, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*

Judy Chamberlain, *Reader*

Bill Myers, *Reader*

Drew Abbott, *Intercessor*

Cheryl Eagleson, *Head Verger*

Quinton Jefferson, *Verger*

Jerry Stein, *Acolyte Master*

Steve van Allen, *Acolyte*

Karen Moreland, *Acolyte*

Matthew Shad, *Acolyte*

Tucker Stone, *Head Usher*

Ed Burdell, *Usher*

Barbara Koerner, *Usher*

Don Lane, *Usher*

Bill Myers, *Usher*

Paula Rose, *Usher*

Olden Warren, *Usher*

Linda Berger, *Altar Guild*

Cindy Cecil, *Altar Guild*

Alicia Clark, *Flower Guild*

Sue Heighberger, *Flower Guild*

Patti Radenheimer, *Flower Guild*

Nikki Shenk, *Flower Guild*

The Christ Church Cathedral Choir

Stephan Casurella, *Canon Precentor & Director of Music*

Daniel Grotz, *Organ Scholar*

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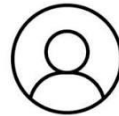
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