# The Third Sunday after Pentecost 9 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 library (follow the signs), and if you are joining us on the third Sunday of the month, please join us for a tasty brunch in the undercroft (follow the signs).

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

Your Brother in Christ, Dean Owen Thompson+

## THE WORD OF GOD

# Organ Voluntary

**Symphony No. 5**, Op. 42, No. 1 II. Allegro cantabile

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral.

## Hymn at the Entrance

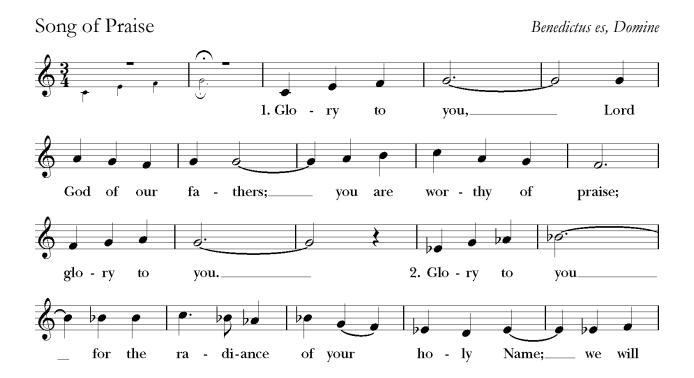
#### Before the Lord's eternal throne

The Hymnal 1982: No. 391

# 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.** 







# The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

1 Samuel 8:4-20, 11:14-15 (NRSV)

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

Thanks be to God.

#### The Gradual

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \* because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your Name \* and your word above all things. When I called, you answered me; \* you increased my strength within me. All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \* when they have heard the words of your mouth. They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \* that great is the glory of the Lord. Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

Psalm 138

Chant: Henry Dibdin (1813-1866)

## The Second Lesson

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

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*
O Lord, your love endures for ever;

do not abandon the works of your hands.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1 (NRSV)

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

Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

# Hymn at the Sequence

We walk by faith, and not by sight

The Hymnal 1982: No. 209

# The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

*Mark 3:20-35 (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 We praise you for who you are, Holy, Tender, Powerful God. Hear these our prayers for the world.

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
In the name of the Holy, Tender, and Powerful God,
who was, and is, and is to come. Amen.

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

#### Lo, God Is Here

Lo, God is here! let us adore, and own how sacred is this place!
Let all within us feel his power, and silent bow before his face: who know his power, his grace who prove, serve him with awe, with reverence love.

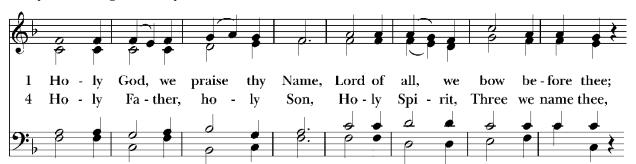
Lo, God is here! him day and night united choirs of angels sing; to him, enthroned above all height, heaven's host their noblest praises bring. Disdain not, Lord, our meaner song, who praise thee with a faltering tongue.

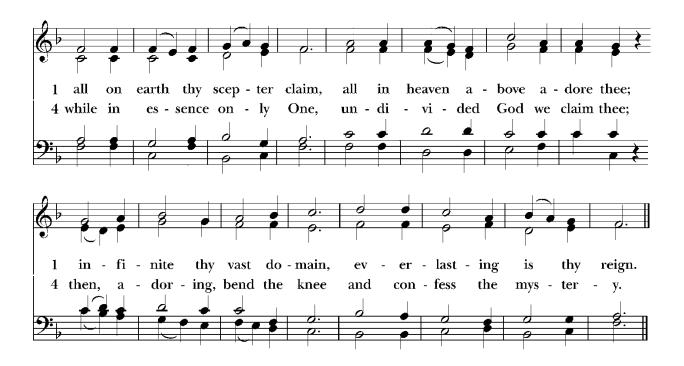
Being of beings! may our praise thy courts with grateful fragrance fill; still may we stand before thy face, still hear and do thy sovereign will; to thee may all our thoughts arise, ceaseless, accepted sacrifice.

> Text: John Wesley (1703-1791) Music: Francis Jackson (1917-2022)

# Hymn at the Presentation

#### Holy God we praise thy Name





# 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:



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.

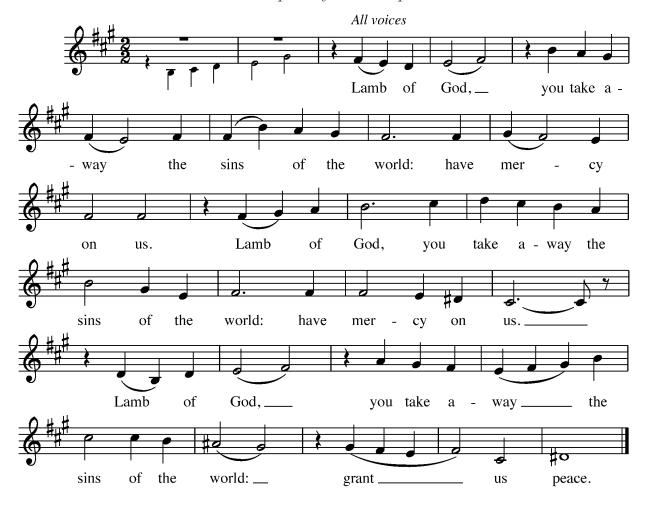
#### Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

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.



The Celebrant says an Invitation to Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

#### Music at the Communion

#### O sacrum convivium

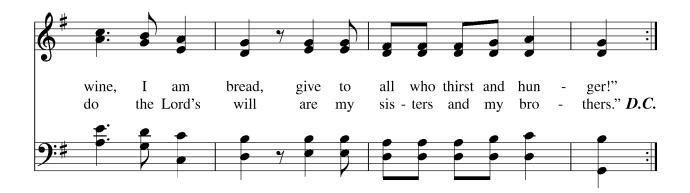
O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur; recolitur memoria passionis ejus; mens impletur gratia; et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur. Alleluia.

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received; the memorial of his passion is renewed; the soul is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

Text: Antiphon to the Magnificat, Second Vespers, Corpus Christi Music: Gerald Near (b. 1942)

## Hallelujah! We sing your praises!





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

God of grace and God of glory

The Hymnal 1982: No. 594

# The Dismissal

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

# Organ Voluntary

Fantasia super "Komm, Heiliger Geist," BWV 651 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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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.

#### **Ministers**

The Very Reverend Owen Thompson, *Celebrant*The Reverend Canon Ted Albert, *Preacher*The Reverend Canon Paul Williams, *Deacon* 

Sigrun Haude, Lay Eucharistic Minister Karen Moreland, Lay Eucharistic Minister George Mutema, Lay Eucharistic Minister Jerry Stein, Lay Eucharistic Minister

> Judy Chamberlain, Reader Chris Christensen, Reader

Drew Abbott, Intercessor

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Barbara Koerner, Usher
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The Christ Church Cathedral Choir Michael Unger, Conductor Daniel Grotz, Organ Scholar

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