6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RENEWED ANCIENT TEXT FROM THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER 2019

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024, 10:30 AM

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WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

CREATION

All of creation was made good, with humanity as its very good crown - created in the image of God, the delight of His heart.

FALL

Humanity rebelled, seeking to be god rather than to submit to God, and began to live life selfishly rather than according to His goodness. In this rebellion, we have bound ourselves under sin, evil, and death. This results in alienation from God, from one another, from creation, and even from ourselves, and brings us under God's righteous judgment.

REDEMPTION

God, in His mercy and great love for us and for all of creation, entered into the world to save people and to renew his creation: Jesus Christ, God in flesh, came to free us from sin, evil, and death. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins, conquered evil and death, and was exalted as King over all.

INVITATION

We are invited to be reconciled to God and participate in the renewal of all creation. This requires repentance from our old way of life, having faith in Christ's act of love and mercy, and having a new life of grace and love with the Holy Spirit. This can begin now. Join with us in worship, as we come to God in our need, confess our sins, receive His forgiveness, hear His word, and are nourished by His self-giving love in the bread and wine. Please speak to one of our pastors if you'd like to learn more about forming a relationship with this God who loves you already.

GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Christ Church Anglican</u> was founded in 1733 and maintains its historical heritage as the first church in Georgia and as a member of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese in the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA).

<u>Parking</u> can be found in our lot on 37th Street and is also available at the Library next door on Bull St. or at the Georgia Infirmary on 36th St. or The Whitefield Center at Drayton and 37th St.

<u>Nursery Care</u> is provided on Sundays beginning at 9 a.m. for children 4 and under, downstairs in the Wesley Wing.

<u>Children</u> of all ages are welcome to stay in the service. Children's activity bags and books for use during the service are available at the 37th street entrance. Please leave the activity bags and books in the pew or return to the Narthex. Little Church for children ages 5-10 takes place during the sermon.

<u>Office Hours</u> are 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

<u>Weekly Newsletter</u> to subscribe visit our website www.ccasav.org and complete the Stay in Touch information. A link to past editions is available on the Home Page.



Visitors, we are happy you are worshiping with us today! Please fill out this connection card located on our website.

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THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

Kyrie

Celebrant	Lord, have mercy upon us.
People	Christ, have mercy upon us.
Celebrant	Lord, have mercy upon us.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A SONG OF PRAISE (CANTICLE 13)

- ¹ Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.
- ² Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.
- ³ Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Please kneel or sit in silence as you prepare your heart to worship the Living God.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Dietrich Buxtehude Germany: 1637-1707

Hymnal #183 Pomp and Circumstance

Prelude

PROCESSIONAL

People

THE ACCLAMATION Celebrant

"At the Name of Jesus"

All say together

Hymnal #859

"Fugue in C Major"

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spiritCelebrantLet us pray.The Celebrant continues

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 11:19-30

Pew Bible, p. 1093

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 33:1-8 (Hymn to Providence)





- Rejoice in the LORD, O you ¹ righteous; | it is fitting for the just to be ¹ thankful. ||
- 2 Praise the LORD with the 'harp; | sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed 'lute. ||
- 3 Sing unto him a new ' song; | make skillful melody and cry aloud with ' joy. ||
- 4 For the word of the LORD is ¹ true, | and all his works are ¹ faithful. ||
- 5 He loves righteousness and true 'judgment; | the earth is full of the goodness of the 'LORD. ||
- By the word of the LORD were the heavens ¹ made, |
 and all the hosts of them by the breath of his ¹ mouth. ||
- 7 He gathers the waters of the sea together, as in a ¹ heap, | and lays up the deep, as in a treasure ¹ house. ||
- 8 Let all the earth fear the ¹ Lord; | stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the ¹ world. ||

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

> During the 10:30 a.m. service young children are invited to "Little Church" at this time. Children will follow the crucifer (cross) out of the Nave and downstairs to the Wesley Wing. Parents of very young children are asked to accompany their child.

1 John 4:7-21

GOSPEL HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:9-17 Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading, Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

People

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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 and the Son, 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.

Pew Bible, p. 1071

Hymnal #498

Nyland

The Rev. Dr. Craig Stephans

Standing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The reader pauses after each bidding, and the people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, Alex our Bishop and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation, and especially for the election of a new Archbishop on June 20, 2024.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially Dave and Jennifer Cox, Missionaries in Romania and Hope Academy.

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

For all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you especially, wives and mothers.**

Reader Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially those in the country of Iran.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Reader Your additional prayers are invited at this time.

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**After petition those whose vocations are named are asked to extend their hands to receive a blessing.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All say together

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 your Son 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.

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.	Matthew 11:28
God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.	John 3:16
The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.	1 Timothy 1:15
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole word.	1 John 2:1-2
THE PEACE	Standing
CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.	

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

PARISH LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flower Memorial

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Franz & Harriett Stone, Carol Lee Hays Moore and Leila & Ted Faxon and in thanksgiving of 50 years of marriage for Cindy & John Marshall by Susan & Harry Moore.

THE OFFERTORY

The people give their tithes and offerings as the bread and wine are prepared. Online donations may be made at ccasav.org or through Venmo @CCASAV.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Kyrie Eleison" Parish Choir

From the Latin: The Lord has mercy. Christ has mercy. The Lord has mercy.

Celebrant

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People And of your own have we given you. 1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (SURSUM CORDA)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with your spirit.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

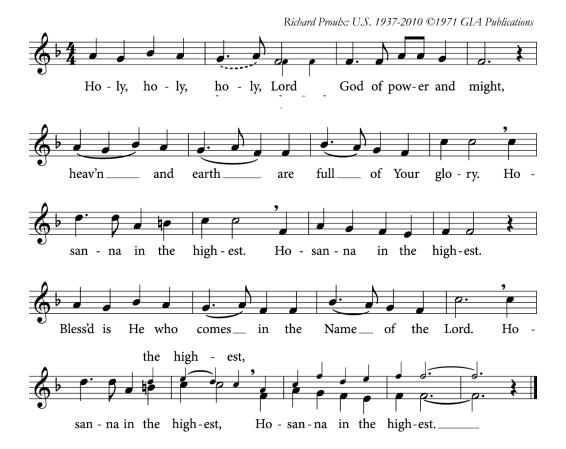
It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Stand

John Leavitt

U.S.:2006

Standing



THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

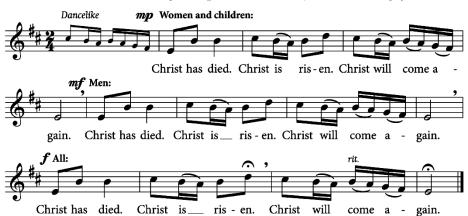
The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



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We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Kneeling

THE LORD'S PRAYER

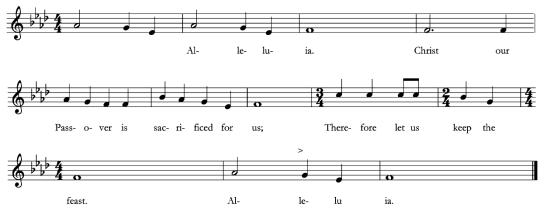
Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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 forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Mark K. Williams: U.S: 1960 © 2012



THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All say together

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,

but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord

whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood,

And that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.



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THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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.

We invite you to come forward to kneel or stand at the railing to receive Communion or a blessing in the following ways:

- All baptized Christians may receive both the bread and the wine by either eating the bread and drinking from the cup or by leaving the bread in your palm for the minister to take and intinct (dip) in the wine and place back in your palm for consumption.
- To receive only the bread, after you eat the bread cross your arms over your chest as the wine is offered.
- To receive a blessing without the bread and wine, come forward and cross your arms over your chest, and the minister will offer a prayer of blessing.
- If you are unable to come forward for Communion, inform an usher and the ministers will come to you.

COMMUNION ANTHEM	"Be Still (Psalm 46)"	Hank Beebe
	Choristers	U.S.:1979

- ¹ (*Refrain*) Be still and know that I am God, I will be exalted in the nations; I will be exalted in the earth. Be still and know that I am God.
- ² Come, behold the works of the Lord;
 What desolations He hath made in the earth.
 He maketh wars to cease on the earth,
 He breaketh the bow, He cutteth the spear, He burneth the chariot. (*Refrain*)
- ³ The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge, The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge. *(Refrain)*

Intercessors are available for prayer in corners of the Nave.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

The congregation is invited to join in singing praise to God.	
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Coming to the table



Words and Music: Phillip Bailey

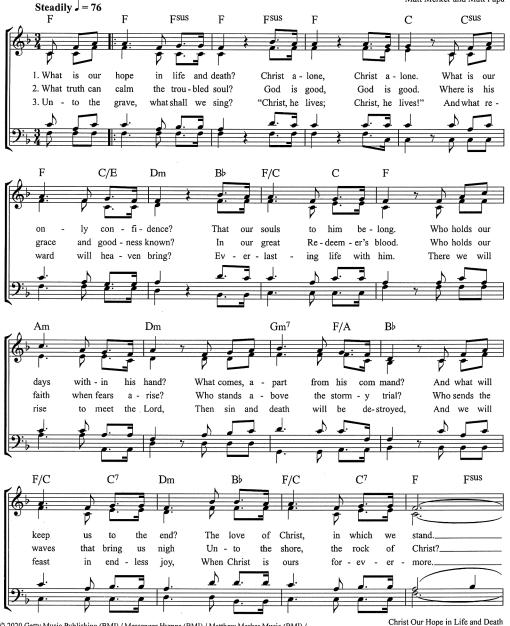
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Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

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(Hymnal, Key of F)



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All say together

Heavenly Father,

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

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

PROCESSION OUT "Go to the World!" Hymnal #596 Sine Nomine

THE DISMISSAL

DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Fellowship and refreshments are available in Hebron Hall immediately after the service.

Looking Ahead

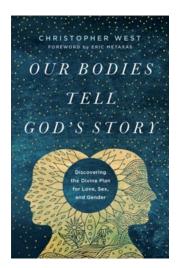
- Music Ministry Spring Concert, TODAY, 3 PM, Nave
- Compline, TONIGHT, 8 PM, Nave
- Parents' Night Out, May 10, 5 8 PM, Kid's Room
- Ladies Spring Brunch, May 18, 9:30 -11 AM, The Whitefield Center
- Fourth Friday Prayer, May 24, 8:30 AM, Wesley Gardens Retreat
- Bishop Alex Farmer Visits, May 25 & 26, Various events
- Confirmation, May 26, 10:30 AM, Nave
- Fr. Bryan's Book of the Month May Discussion, May 29, 5:30 PM, Hebron Hall

Banns of Marriage

The ancient custom of announcing the wedding publicly at least three times, also known as the "Banns of Marriage," bids the prayers and support of the community. This speaks to the great necessity for the whole body of Christ to support those joined in Holy Matrimony and their witness in Church and in society.

"We publish the Banns of Marriage between Eliza Kincaid Hallock and Isaac Castleman Van Puffelen and we bid your prayers on their behalf. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. This is the first time of asking."

Fr. Craig Stephans



Fr. Bryan's Book of the Month

The book discussion group meets on the last Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in Hebron Hall.

The April selection is :

Our Bodies Tell God's Story: Discovering the Divine Plan for Love, Sex, and Gender written by: Christopher West.

The next meeting is Wednesday, May 29.

Christ Church Anglican Music Ministries presents a

Spring Concert

Parish Choir, Choristers, Bell Choir, and Orchestra



Sunday, May 5, 2024, 3 PM

Christ Church Anglican 2020 Bull Street (corner of 37th & Bull Streets) Free and open to the public. Reception following.

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