# THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER PELHAM, NEW YORK



# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(PROPER 27C, TRACK 2)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST 10:00 AM, NOVEMBER 9, 2025

#### **ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH**

The Parish of Christ the Redeemer (known as Christ Church) is the Episcopal Church in Pelham, New York. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion which is made up of 85 million people in over 165 countries and is the third largest Christian denomination in the world. Christ Church was founded in 1843 and is the first house of worship in Pelham. This building was consecrated on September 15, 1843, the original church building was expanded in 1910, and the sanctuary was reconstructed in 1968 to allow for the current, more intimate worship space. Our congregation draws primarily from Pelham, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and the Bronx, and includes people from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.

#### ABOUT THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

This period in the Church year is known as "The Season after Pentecost" or "Ordinary Time." The term "ordinary" refers to how the New Testament passages are generally read in order or in sequence, as opposed to being arranged by specific theme as in other seasons. During this season the Gospel passages focus on the beginning of Jesus' ministry and how he is revealed to the world as the Christ. In Year C (the third in a three year cycle: A, B & C) most of the Gospel passages are from the Gospel according to Luke. The Old Testament Lesson reads through the Pentateuch in sequence. The New Testament Lesson is independent of these readings and is almost always taken from one of the Letters in the New Testament that reflects the common life and mission of the first Christian community.

#### **ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE**

The Holy Eucharist, the principal act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day and other major Feasts, and Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, 1979, are the regular services appointed for public worship in the Episcopal Church. At Christ Church we celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday, and also on Holy Days and other occasions. Today's liturgy is from the red *Book of Common Prayer 1979*. All hymns are taken from the blue *Hymnal 1982* or other authorized hymnals for use in the Episcopal Church. All hymns are reprinted with permission under OneLicense.net A713125.



# CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year. Sunday School children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School.



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# 2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: PLEDGE TODAY

God is at work at Christ Church. Sunday worship attendance continues to increase; children and family ministries are growing; outreach and service efforts are aiding many in need across our communities; music and concert programs are flourishing; and fellowship and educational ministries are bringing people of all ages

together. Our pledge goal this year is \$550,000 which accounts for cost increases. We want every parishioner to pledge. The amount is personal and should reflect where Christ Church lives with you and your family. Your continued support ensures we have excellent clergy and staff, keeps our buildings beautiful and safe, and funds our programs and ministries.

# **ORGAN PRELUDE**

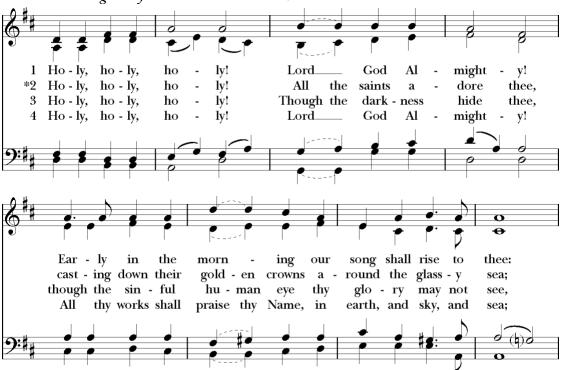
The prelude is offered before worship as a form of prayer. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation in the church or outside the Sacristy.

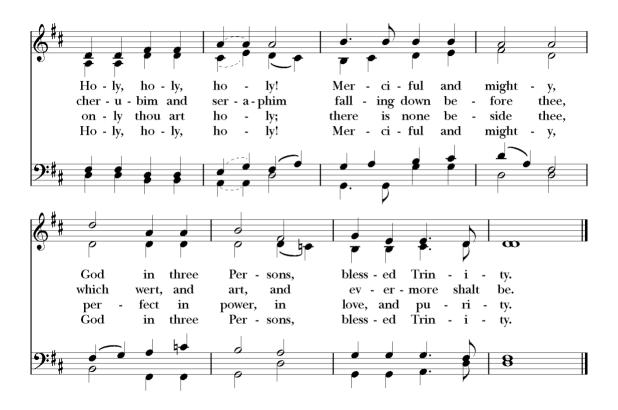
Präludium, Fuga und Ciacona

Dietrich Buxtehude 1637-1707

# PROCESSION HYMN (#362)

All stand and sing the hymn as the ministers enter.





Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt.

Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876)

Meter: 11 12. 12 10

# **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Celebrant 

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

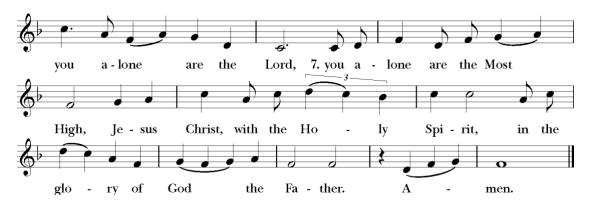
Celebrant

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.

All Amen.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (S-280)





Title: Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

# THE FIRST LESSON: JOB 19:23-27A

All are seated.

Reader A Reading from Job.

Job said, "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold,

and not another."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 17:1-9 Exaudi, Domine

The Psalm is sung by the Parish Choir to an Anglican chant by Herbert Howells.

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord;

give heed to my cry; \*

listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

Let my vindication come forth from your presence; \*

let your eyes be fixed on justice.

Weigh my heart, summon me by night, \*

melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

I give no offense with my mouth as others do; \*

I have heeded the words of your lips.

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; \*

in your paths my feet shall not stumble.

I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; \*

incline your ear to me and hear my words.

Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, \*

O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand

from those who rise up against them.

Keep me as the apple of your eye; \*
hide me under the shadow of your wings,
From the wicked who assault me, \*
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

# THE SECOND LESSON: 2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-5, 13-17

Reader A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

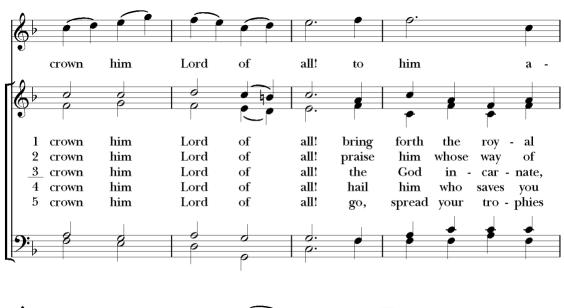
As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

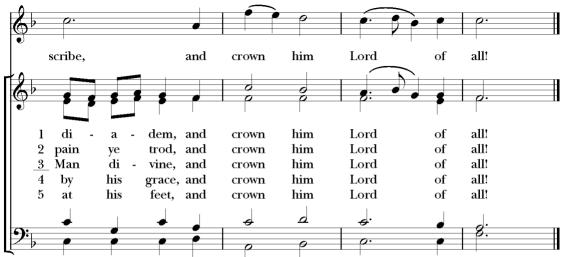
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN (#450)**







6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Words: Edward Perronet (1726–1792), alt.

Music: Coronation, Oliver Holden (1765–1844), alt.; desc. Michael E. Young (b. 1939)

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# THE HOLY GOSPEL: LUKE 20:27-38

All remain standing for the Gospel.

Deacon ★ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Some Sad

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Meredith Hawkins.

#### NICENE CREED

All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant We believe in one God,

All 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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in

your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice

and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use

its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve

Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them

courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may

be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your

eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Our prayers are asked for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew and Allen our Bishops, Father Matt our Rector, Mother Meredith, Deacon Chisara, and our Wardens, Officers, and Vestry members. We pray also for:, Gina, Jenny, Mike, Bill, Tom, Julie, Anne, Kristen, Ari, Jennifer, Marion, Sam, Elaine, Sheila, Amy, Alice, Barbara, Janet, Sandy, Beth, Ingrid, Didi, Tim, Chris, Marilyn, Alison, Bob, Robert, Allison, Hildy, Jordan, Cathy, Tom, Bill, Mike, Sara, David, Drue, Kevin, Brian, Helen, and M&D. We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: Sean, Dylan, Gus, Chuck, Sam, Helen, Joseph, Philip, Jake, Matthew, Robert, Nicholas, Mitchel, Alec, Jonah, Tia, Tyrese, Terrence. We also pray for those who have died, May their souls, and the souls of the departed rest in peace, Amen. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Ziggy Sessa (11/12), John McGrory (11/13), Liam Mead (11/13), Anna McGrory (11/14), Robert Moderelli (11/14), Christopher Moore (11/14), Matthew Reuter (11/14,) and Jean Gruener (11/15).

# **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel (as able).

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All 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 have mercy on you, ₱ forgive you all your sins through our

Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the

Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

# THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

#### WELCOME & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All are seated. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence.



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# HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are also invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing and not Holy Communion).

# **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

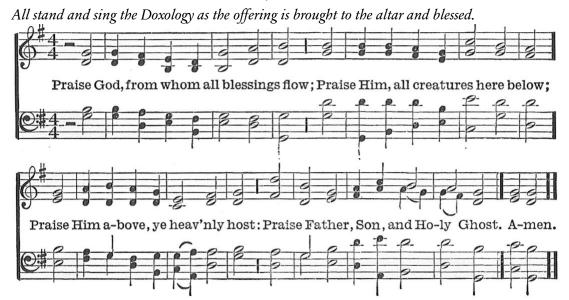
The gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken while the Parish Choir sings an anthem.

Fight the Good Fight

John Gardner 1917-2011

Fight the good fight with all thy might; Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right; lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.

# OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY (#380, VS 3)



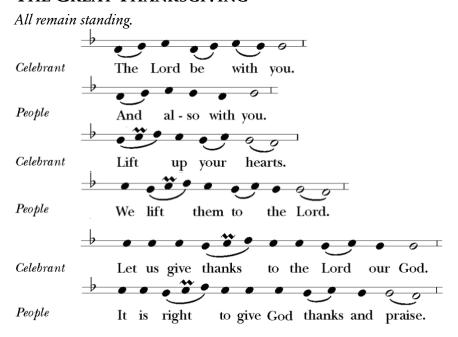
Words:

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music:

Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

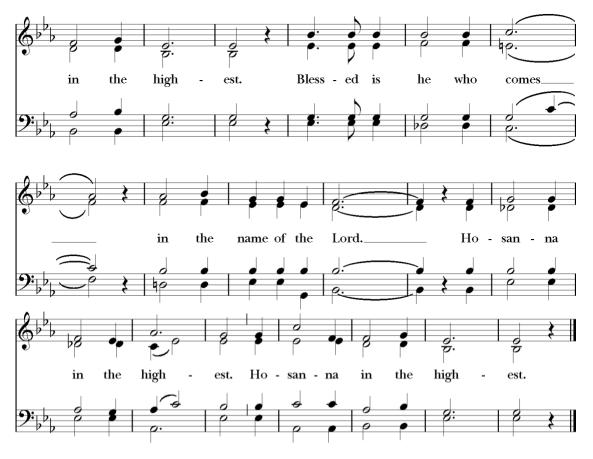
The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface assigned for the day.

Celebrant 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:

All sing "Holy, holy, holy" (#S 130)



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Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

Music: From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797–1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

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# The people stand or kneel.

#### Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."



Celebrant

There-fore we proclaim the myst-er-y of faith:



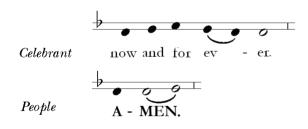
People

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify \(\mathbb{Y}\) us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By \$\mathbb{\pi}\$ him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,



Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

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,

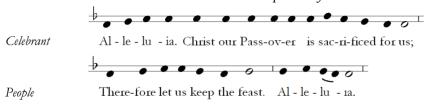
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

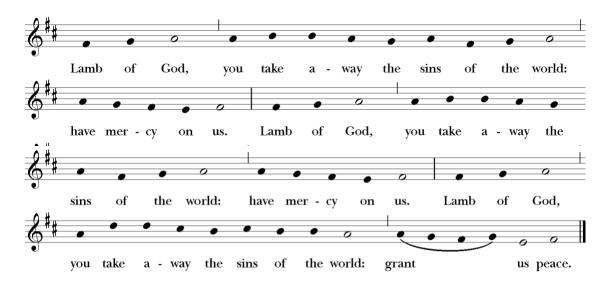
for ever and ever. Amen.

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



All sing "Lamb of God" (Hymn #S 161).



Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: Agnus Dei

Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950) Copyright: Copyright © 1981, G.I.A. Publications, Inc

#### Invitation to Holy Communion

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing).

## ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

During the ministration of Holy Communion, the Parish Choir sings an anthem.

God be in my Head

H. Walford Davies 1869-1941

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

# POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people kneel (as able).

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,

and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **POST COMMUNION HYMN**

All stand and sing the hymn.









Words: William Blake (1757-1827)

Music: Jerusalem by Hubert Parry (1848-1918)

## **BLESSING & DISMISSAL**

The celebrant offers a blessing which concludes as follows.

Celebrant ... and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

#### PROCESSIONAL VOLUNTARY

All remain standing as the altar party processes from the Sanctuary during the Postlude. Once the altar party has departed, please be seated and be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.

Toccata in C

Johann Pachelbel 1653-1706

#### Dr. J's Music Notes

"And did those feet in ancient time," originally a poem by William Blake from 1804, is based on the legend that Jesus visited England with Joseph of Arimathea. There is also the version of the legend that Jesus was not part of the journey. The poem is now most famous as the hymn "Jerusalem," set to music by Hubert Parry in 1917. Blake used the legend to critique the negative effects of the Industrial Revolution, contrasting the idea of a heavenly "New Jerusalem" in England's "green and pleasant land" with the "dark Satanic mills" of his time. It is not to be confused with another poem, much longer and larger in scope and also by Blake, called "Jerusalem: The Emanation of the Giant Albion".

# **CHRIST CHURCH**

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#### **Worship Schedule**

Every Sunday at 8am & 10am: Holy Eucharist Sundays as announced at 5pm: Holy Eucharist or Evensong Wednesdays & Holy Days as announced at 5:15pm: Holy Eucharist

#### The Parish of Christ the Redeemer

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As members of the Body of Christ, we are dedicated to spiritual growth and committed to serving God through worship and service to our community and the world.