# THE FIFTEENTHSUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023







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. Whether you are new to Christ Church or a long-time member, you are invited to pray in our sacred spaces, join in our services of worship, and take an active role in the life and leadership of the parish. We give thanks and praise to God for your presence with us this morning!

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. A great place for children to see, hear and participate is in the front pews of the church. Also, childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year from September until June. Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM each Sunday. After the children's service and Sunday School activities, the children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion.

If you believe God may be calling you to a new relationship with him through Jesus Christ we want to be of help. Whether you want to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, receive the laying on of hands by the bishop in the sacramental rite of Confirmation, or transfer your membership from another church or denomination, joining Christ Church is easy, just speak to Father Matthew Mead, Deacon Chisara Alimole, or our Administrator, Ms. Marie Main. After the service concludes please feel free to join us for Coffee Hour, a reception which generally includes coffee, other refreshments, and lasts about an hour and is a great opportunity to meet members of the congregation. All hymns and service music reprinted in this leaflet are either in the public domain or reprinted with permission under OneLicense.net license A-713125.

This service is the Holy Eucharist, often called Mass or Holy Communion. This period in the Church year is known as "The Season after Pentecost" and begins with the Feast of Pentecost in the Spring and concludes after Thanksgiving Day. The Service will conclude with a Blessing of Students, Athletes and Backpacks.

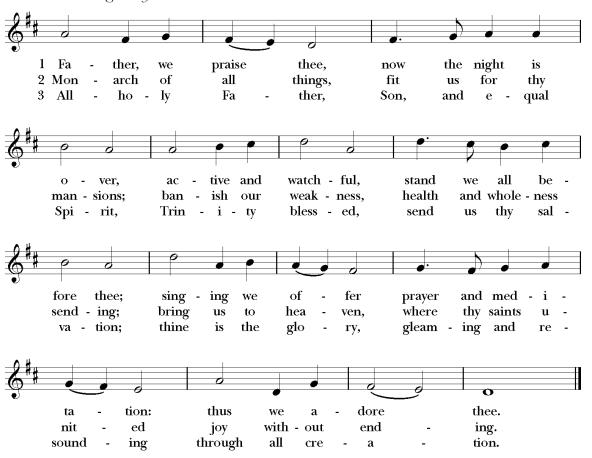
The Flowers on the Altar are given in loving memory of all who died on September 11, 2001, especially Montgomery Hord, and Michael Boccardi, Thomas E. Hynes, Joseph Leavey, Robert McLaughlin, Amy O'Doherty, Joseph Shea, Daniel J. Shea, Robert Scandole and Michael Tamuccio

#### **ORGAN PRELUDE**

4. Herzlich tut mich erfreuen (The lovely summertime makes me heartily rejoice) from 11 Choralvorspiele für die Orgel, Op. 122 by Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (#1)

All stand and sing the hymn as the ministers enter.



Words: Latin, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

Music: Christe sanctorum, melody from Antiphoner, 1681; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

All remain standing.

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

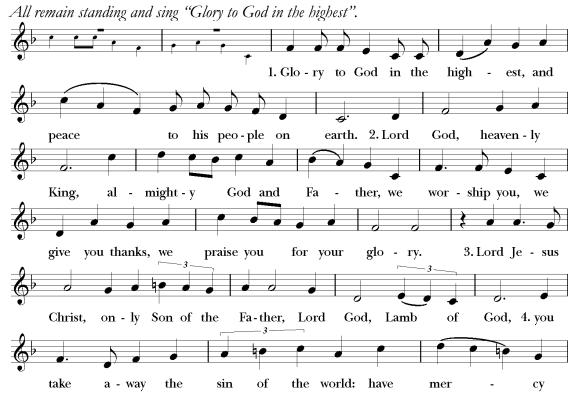
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

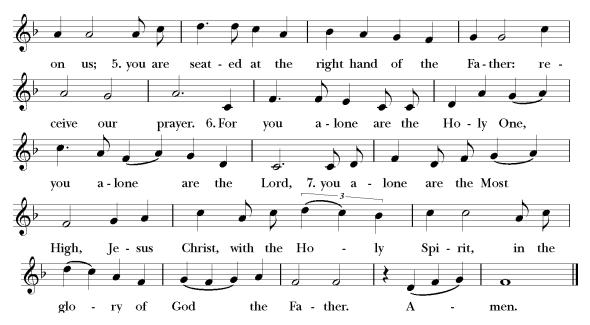
Celebrant

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.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

All remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now

and for ever.

All Amen.

#### THE FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 12:1-14

All are seated as the lesson is read.

A reading from Exodus. Reader

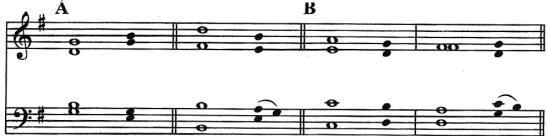
> The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 149 Cantate Domino

The congregation chants the Psalm to a simplified Anglican chant by Robert McCormick (b. 1978)\*. (Change pitches after each | in the text. The last verse repeats the second half of the chant at the letter B).



Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a | new song; \*

sing his praise in the congregation of the | faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his | Maker; \*

let the children of Zion be joyful in their | King.

Let them praise his Name in the | dance; \*

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and | harp.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people \*

and adorns the poor with | victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in | triumph; \*

let them be joyful on their | beds.

Let the praises of God be in their | throat \*

and a two-edged sword in their | hand;

To wreak vengeance on the | nations \*

and punishment on the | peoples;

To bind their kings in | chains \*

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and their nobles with links of | iron;

To inflict on them the judgment de - | creed; \*

this is glory for all his faithful people.

Halle- | -lujah!

#### THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 13:8-14

All remain seated as the lesson is read.

Reader

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord

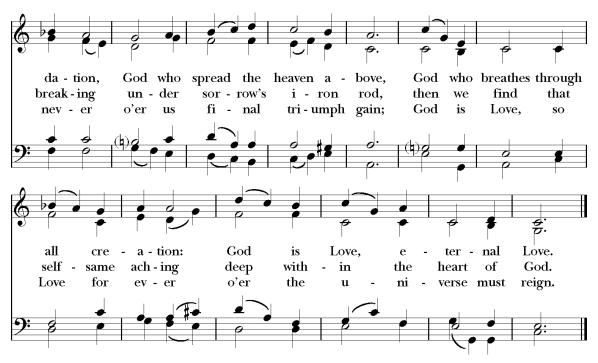
**People** 

Thanks be to God.

# SEQUENCE HYMN (#379)

All stand and sing the hymn.





Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.

Music: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:15-20

All remain standing for the Gospel.

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

People

#### Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done

for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

All are seated for the sermon by the Rector, Father Matthew Mead.

#### NICENE CREED

All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant We believe in one God,

All the Father, the Almi

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 (FORM III)

All remain standing.

Reader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People** That we all may be one.

Reader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve

you;

*People* That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Reader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and

Sacraments.

Reader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the

world:

*People* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Reader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People** That our works may find favor in your sight.

Reader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People* That they may be delivered from their distress.

Reader Give to the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Reader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Reader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. I invite you to add

your own petitions said silently or aloud.

If you would like to offer a **special prayer concern**, please contact the Parish Office or complete a Prayer Request Card (found at the entrance to the church) and drop it in the offering plate. Requests include those who are ill, those who have died recently, prayers on the anniversary of someone's death, and thanksgivings. Names remain on the list for one month; please let the office know if you would like someone listed for a longer time.

#### BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

The People are seated.

Celebrant Today we celebrate the start of the new academic year. I invite all

children to come forward to receive a blessing and to receive a start of

the year gift.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, from whom all Wisdom proceeds: bless these backpacks, instruments, and athletic equipment, and the children who bear, play, and use them as they begin a new year in school: May these backpacks be filled with great books of learning; may these instruments make a joyful noise; may this athletic equipment used in a spirit of good sportsmanship and fun; may the friendships that are made this year be lifelong; may their hearts and minds be enlightened by your Holy Spirit; and as they grow in knowledge may they grow ever closer to your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The gifts, backpacks and the children are sprinkled with Holy Water.

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and

minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty 4 the Father, the Son, and

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

People 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 for a brief welcome and announcements from Father Matthew Mead. The announcements conclude with the following or some other offertory sentence.

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

#### OFFERTORY HYMN (#376)

All are seated and sing the hymn. During the hymn the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.

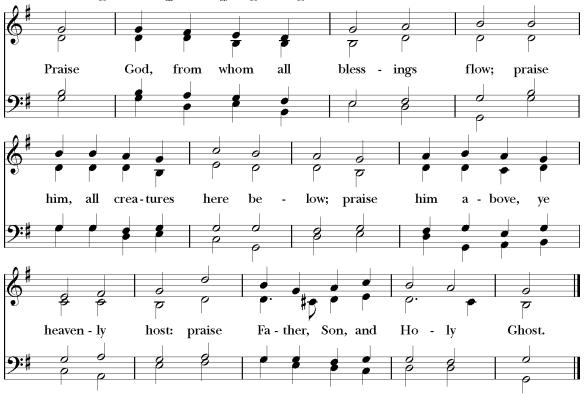


Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)

Music: Hymn to Joy, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867), alt.

## OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY (#380 VS. 3)

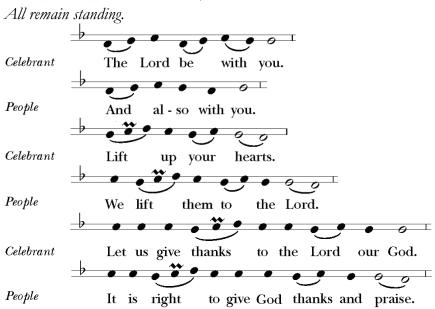
All stand and sing the doxology as the offering is brought to the altar and blessed.



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

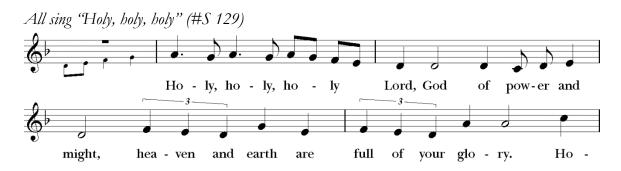
Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

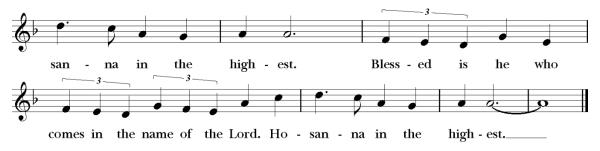
#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:





Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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:

Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

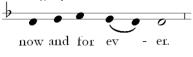
People

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 ₱ him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,



Celebrant

People

Celebrant

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

All Our Father, who art in heaven,

A - men.

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.

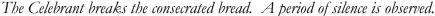
And lead us not into temptation,

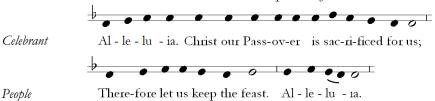
but deliver us from evil.

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

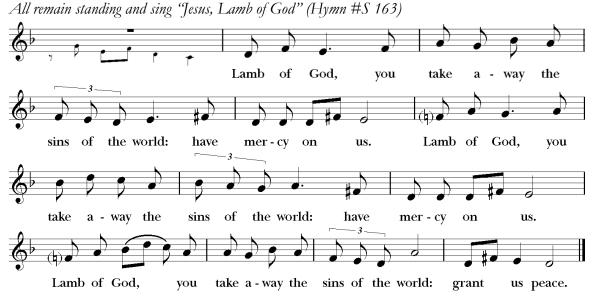
for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD





reopte There-tote let us keep the least. In - le - lu - la



Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

#### Invitation to Holy Communion

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion saying this or some other invitation.

Celebrant 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.]

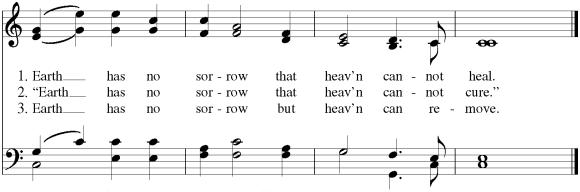
All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body

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).

#### COMMUNION HYMN (LEVAS II, #147)

All are invited to sing the hymn during the ministration of Holy Communion.





Words: Stanzas 1-2, Thomas Moore (1779-1853); Stanza 3, Thomas Hasting (1784-1872)

Music: Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)

#### POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us w

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

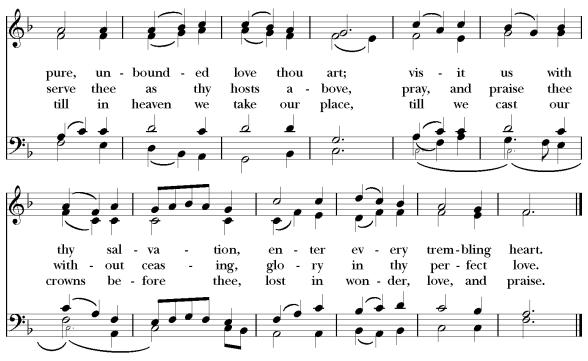
to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (#657)

All stand and sing the hymn as the ministers process to the back of the church.





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-17830

Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

#### DISMISSAL & ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

If you are staying in your pew for the Voluntary, please be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.

Sortie in B flat Major, abridged

by Guy Ropartz (1864-1955)

#### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AT THE BOLTON ALTAR

Following the Eucharist every Sunday prayers for healing with the anointing of Holy Oil are offered by Deacon Chisara or Father Matt. Come to the altar and tell the priest or deacon what you want to pray for.

# CHRIST CHURCH

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The Reverend Matthew Hoxsie Mead, Rector
The Reverend Deacon Chisara Alimole
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# The Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Sundays at 8 and 10 a.m. Morning Prayer is read on, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom

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#### **Christ Church**

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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.