

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(EASTER 2, YEAR A)

CONFIRMATION & THE HOLY EUCHARIST
10:00 AM, APRIL 12, 2026



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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Our pledge goal this year is \$550,000 which accounts for cost increases. We want every parishioner to pledge. Your continued support ensures we have excellent clergy and staff, keeps our buildings beautiful and safe, and funds our programs and ministries.

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 EASTERTIDE

The Church celebrates the resurrection with a feast of fifty days which begins on Easter Sunday, the Sunday of the Resurrection. On Fridays in Eastertide special acts of discipline and self-denial commemorating the crucifixion of the Lord are not practiced. “Alleluia” is said or sung repeatedly during our liturgy. The Paschal Candle burns throughout Eastertide. The central Christian belief is that Jesus was crucified and rose from the dead. The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is remembered and made present in our worship and in our common life. “Easter” is the English language name for the Sunday of the Resurrection. In most languages, the given name is some form of the word “Passover.” Easter celebrates the “Passover” of Jesus from death to life.

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.

ABOUT CONFIRMATION

In the course of their Christian development, those baptized at an early age are expected, when they are ready and have been duly prepared, to make a mature public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism and to receive the laying on of hands by the bishop. Those baptized as adults, unless baptized with laying on of hands by a bishop, are also expected to make a public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism in the presence of a bishop and to receive the laying on of hands. Today we celebrate the Confirmation of Gia Boyer, Adeline McKee, Eden Ryder, and Riley Salvator. Today we celebrate the Reception of Benito Salvatore, Donna Salvatore, and Sheila Toth in the Anglican Communion and Episcopal Church.



THE RIGHT REVEREND MATTHEW HEYD

Our celebrant and preacher today is the Rt. Rev. Matthew Heyd is the 17th Bishop of New York. Bishop Heyd was ordained to the diaconate and priesthood in 2009 by the Right Rev. Mark Sisk, Bishop of New York, and served at Trinity Church on Wall Street, Manhattan, until being called as rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest on the Upper East Side of Manhattan in 2013. He was consecrated as bishop co-adjutor on May 20, 2023, and was installed as the 17th Bishop of New York on February 10, 2024.

His ministry is focused on the renewal of the church for the healing of the world through the congregations, chaplaincies, and schools of the Diocese of New York.

Together, the Diocese is re-weaving its pastoral fabric around its local communities, restructuring to care for clergy and support congregations. The Holy Spirit moves at ground level.

The Diocese has also organized and spoken out in support of immigration and LGBTQ+ rights. It is a sanctuary diocese, providing safety, belonging, and freedom across its local communities.

Before his election as bishop, Matt served as the tenth rector of Church of the Heavenly Rest in New York City, which was consecrated in 1868 to be a community for reconciliation and peace. As rector, he engaged with the congregation and staff to create a “bigger table” of deep belonging and wide invitation.

Matt also served as director of Faith in Action at Trinity Church Wall Street. At Trinity, he expanded volunteer engagement with opportunities for children in New York City, New Orleans, Haiti, Panama, and Burundi. He supported the development of the Episcopal Service Corps. He was the third director of the global Trinity Grants Program.

Matt also helped launch Episcopal Charities in the Diocese of New York and served as chief operating officer of a national non-profit connecting students and teachers in schools to service opportunities. He worked with the family of Martin Luther King Jr. on a program to help students celebrate the King National Holiday with service.

He was a Morehead Scholar and student body president at the University of North Carolina. He holds a Master of Arts in religion summa cum laude from Yale University and a Master of Sacred Theology from The General Theological Seminary.

He served as the founding board chair of the Community Learning School initiative in New York City — a collaboration of business, labor, and the faith community to strengthen public schools. He was board president of the Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes, now The Episcopal Parish Network. He led a successful funding campaign on behalf of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry for reconciliation with the Episcopal Church in Cuba. He is chair of the Board of Trustees for Episcopal Divinity School.

His spouse, Ann Thornton, is Vice Provost and University Librarian at Columbia University. They have an eighteen-year-old daughter and a fourteen-year-old son.

Matt grew up in Charlotte, NC. He graduated from Providence Day School. He likes to read and run and has completed five marathons.

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.

Prelude in Eb BWV 552 "St. Anne"

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

PROCESSION HYMN (#208)

All stand and sing the hymn as the minister enter.

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832–1909), alt.
 Music: 4
 Meter: 888 with Alleluias

EASTER ACCLAMATION & SENTENCES FOR CONFIRMATION

(All respond loudly)

Bishop ✠ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: ACTS 2:14A,22-32

All are seated.

Reader

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: PSALM 16

Conserva me, Domine

All remain seated while the choir sings the psalm to an Anglican Chant by Edward Bairstow.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."
All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
I have set the Lord always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 PETER 1:3-9

All are seated.

Reader

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN (#206)

All stand and sing the hymn.

Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 O sons and daught - ers, let us sing!
2 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
3 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard,
4 "My pierc - ed side, O Thom - as, see;
5 No long - er Thom - as then de - nied,
6 How blest are they who have not seen,



1 The King of heaven, the glo - rious King,
2 a - midst them came their Lord - most dear,
3 how they had seen the ris - en Lord,
4 my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
5 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
6 and yet whose faith has con - stant been,



1 o'er death and hell rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
2 and said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
3 he doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!
4 not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!
5 "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!
6 for they e - ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: att. Jean Tisserand (15th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818–1866)

Music: *O filii et filiae*, melody from *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noëls*, 1623; acc. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

All remain standing for the Gospel.

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Deacon When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

All are seated for the sermon by Bishop Matthew Heyd.

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Candidates are now presented.

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Rector I present Gia Boyer, Adeline McKee, Eden Ryder, and Riley Salvator for Confirmation.

I present Benito Salvaotre, Donna Salvatore, and Sheila Toth to be Received into this Communion.

The Bishop asks the following questions of the candidates.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Then the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Bishop invites the congregation to join in saying the Baptismal Covenant.

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

The Deacon leads the Prayers.

Deacon Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Deacon Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bishop Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever.
All **Amen.**

Silence is kept.

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
All **Amen.**

FOR CONFIRMATION & RECEPTION

The Bishop lays hands upon each candidate for Confirmation and says

Bishop Defend, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your heavenly grace, that *she* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until *she* comes to your everlasting kingdom.

All **Amen.**

The Bishop addresses each candidate for Reception and says

Bishop *N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you.

All **Amen.**

The Bishop concludes Confirmation & Reception with this prayer

Bishop Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Bishop 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

During the anthem the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.

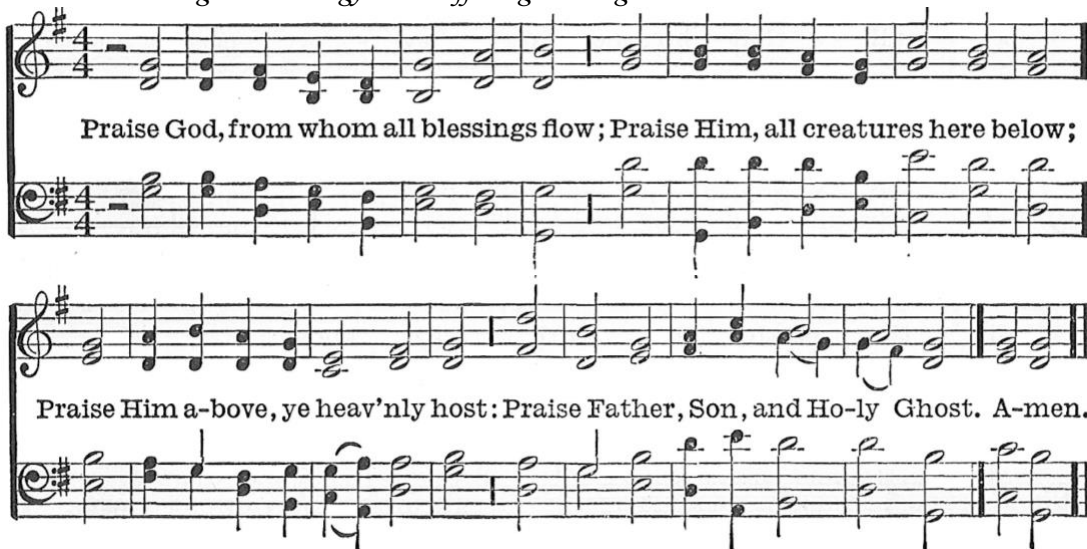
Hallelujah (Mount of Olives)

Ludvig van Beethoven 1770-1827

Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son Praise the Lord,
ye bright angelic choirs In holy songs of Joy.
Man, proclaim his grace and glory,
Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son
Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY (#380, VS 3)

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



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

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

All remain standing. The chanted parts may be said at the discretion of the Celebrant.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing

All remain standing and sing “Holy, holy, holy”, S-125.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on the upper line of each staff, with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The score ends with a double bar line.

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Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)
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The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

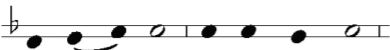
Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

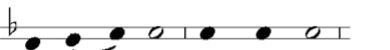
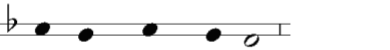

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup,

Celebrant  we praise you and we bless you.

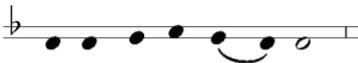
People  We praise you, we bless you,
 we give thanks to you,
 and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember Sean our presiding bishop, Matthew and Allen, our bishops and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

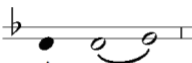
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

Celebrant



for ev - er and ev - er.

People



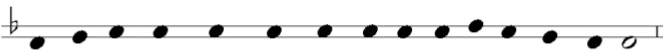
A - men.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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

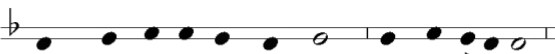
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.

Celebrant



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

People



There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

All sing "O Lamb of God", S-163.

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

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*
Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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).

COMMUNION ANTHEM

During the ministration of Holy Communion, the choir sings an anthem.

Locus Iste

Anton Bruckner 1824-1896

Locus iste a Deo factus est,
inaestimabile sacramentum,
irreprehensibilis est.

*This place was made by God,
a priceless sacrament;
it is without reproach.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All kneel as you are able.

Celebrant

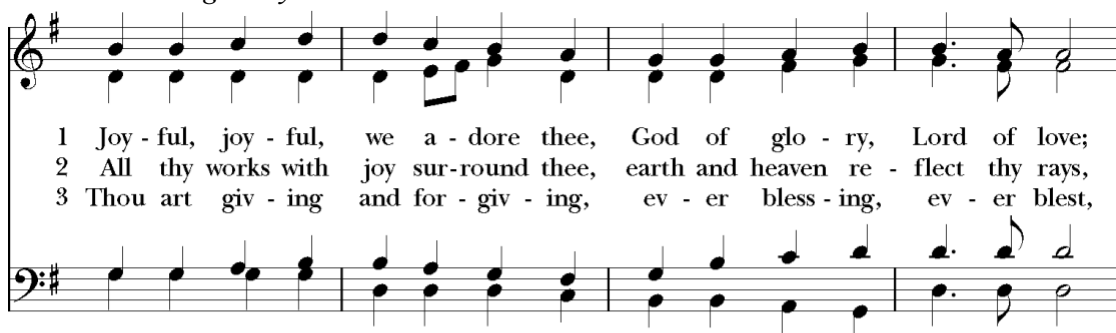
Let us pray.

All

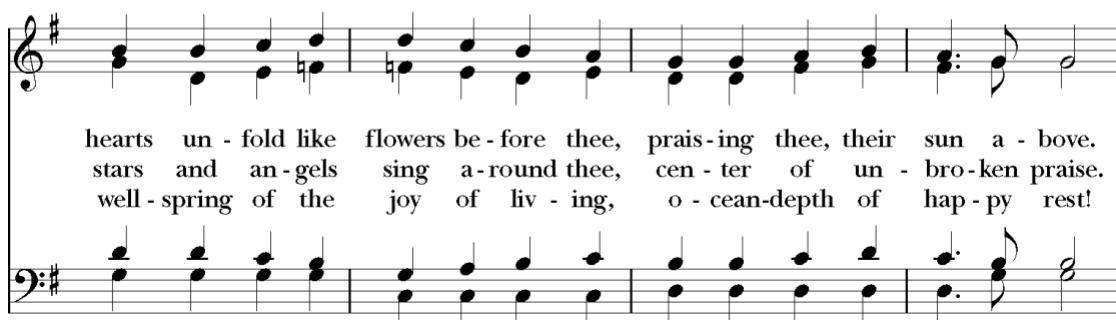
**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

POST COMMUNION HYMN (#376)

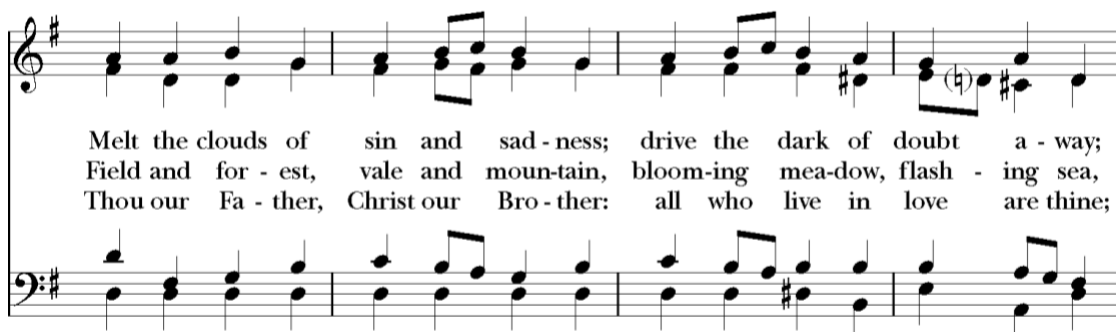
All stand and sing the hymn.



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach - us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

Section: Praise to God; Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852–1933)
 Music: *Hymn to Joy*, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796–1867), alt.
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EPISCOPAL BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Bishop offers the following or some other blessing.

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People **From this time forth for evermore.**

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All **Amen.**

Then the Deacon dismisses the Congregation.

Deacon Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

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.

Fuge in Eb “St. Anne” BWV 552

Bach

Dr. J's Notes

In 1739, Bach published the *Clavier-Übung III*, a monumental collection of liturgical organ works which is sometimes called the German Organ Mass. The compilation begins and ends with two mighty musical pillars which have been catalogued as the Prelude and Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 552. The latter has been nicknamed the “St. Anne” Fugue because its subject is strikingly similar to Croft’s English hymn of the same name. The *Clavier-Übung III* is filled with references to Christian numerology, especially to the Trinity. The Prelude, set in a key with three flats, is made up of three themes. The first, containing the majestic, dotted rhythms of a French overture, may represent the Father. The second theme, representing the Son, is quieter with a graceful Galant statement, followed by an echo. The final theme, representing the Holy Ghost, is filled with fugal counterpoint with rapidly moving eighth notes. Albert Schweitzer said of the fugue: “The triple fugue is a symbol of the Trinity. The same theme recurs in three connected fugues, but each time with another personality. The first fugue is calm and majestic, with an absolutely uniform movement throughout; in the second the theme seems to be disguised, and is only occasionally recognizable in its true shape, as if to suggest the divine assumption of an earthly form; in the third, it is transformed into rushing semiquavers as if the Pentecostal wind were coming roaring from heaven.

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Worship Schedule

Every Sunday at 8am & 10am: Holy Eucharist

Sundays as announced at 5pm: Holy Eucharist or Evensong

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