



Solemn High Mass

Fourth Sunday of Easter

21 April 2024, 11:00 a.m.

C h r i s t C h u r c h , N e w H a v e n

Welcome to Christ Church!

Christ Church is heir to a rich tradition of spirituality that makes use of all the senses and draws our bodies as well as our minds into worship. In particular, incense is used as a sign of prayer ascending, as a sign that persons or objects are to be used for God's purposes. The essential thing is to hear God's word, to pray for ourselves and for others, and to fulfill Jesus' command, "do this in remembrance. . ." You are welcome to participate as fully as seems right to you and we welcome questions and conversation.

This leaflet carries most of the text of the liturgy and some explanations of the rites. The hymns are found in the blue hymnal at your seats. The Book of Common Prayer is the red book at your seat.

The booklet indicates where it is the custom of this congregation to make gestures:

- ✠ Indicates where the sign of the cross is customarily made.
- Bow Indicates where this gesture of reverence is customarily made.
- Kneel Indicates where this gesture of reverence is customarily made.

If you are feeling unwell or have had a fever or any other symptoms of COVID-19, please do not enter the building and instead join by livestream. You may make your offering online at christchurchnh.org/giving or in plate passed at the Offertory.

Restrooms are available in the Parish House behind the church and may be accessed through the cloister door. A ramp is available at the Elm Street porch.

Please turn OFF all electronic devices.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS

Ordinary of the Mass: Christ Church Service, David Hurd (b.1950)

The Organ Prelude

Psalm 37, Verse 11 from *Psalm Prelude Set 1*

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

All stand as the Choir and Ministers enter. During the introit, the Celebrant asperges the people with baptismal water as a sign of their incorporation into Christ through baptism.

The Introit *Sung by the Choir.*

Mode VIII

Vidi aquam egredientem de templo, a latere dextro, alleluja: Et omnes, ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt et dicent, alleluja. Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus: quoniam in saeculum misericordia ejus.

I saw water flowing from the temple, on the right side, alleluia: And all to whom that water came have been saved, and they will say, alleluia. Worship the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy is forever.

The Opening Hymn 191

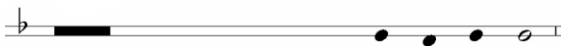
Alleluia, alleluia!

Lux eoi

The Paschal Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People



The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Celebrant then says:

The Collect for Purity and Summary of the Law

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.


All remain standing and sing the Kyrie and Gloria.

The Kyrie



Lord, have mer- cy up - on us. Lord, have mer- cy up-
on us. Lord, have mer- cy up - on us, have mer- cy up - on us. Christ,
have mer - cy up - on us, Christ, have mer - cy up - on us, Christ,
have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord,
have mer - cy up - on us, Lord, have mer- cy up- on us, Lord,
have mer - cy up - on us, have mer cy up - on us.

The Gloria



Celebrant or Cantor *All*
Glo- ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We
praise thee, we bless thee, we ^{bow} wor- ship thee, we glo-ri-fy thee we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry, O Lord God, heaven-ly King,

God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the on-ly-be-got-ten

Son, *bow* Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the

Fa - ther, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up

on us, Thou that tak-est-a-way the sins of the world, *bow* re - ceive our

prayer. Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the Fa - ther, have

mer - cy up - on us. For thou on-ly art ho-ly; thou

on - ly art the Lord; Thou on- ly, O Christ with the Ho- ly Ghost,

art most high in the glo-ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men, A - men,

A *rit.* - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 (Coverdale) *Sung by the Choir.* Anglican chant: C. Hylton Stewart (1884-1932)

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture, *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul, *
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; *
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; *
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Epistle

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia *Sung by the Choir. All stand.*

Mode V

Alleluia. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me. Alleluia. Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him. Alleluia.

The Sequence Hymn 343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

St Agnes



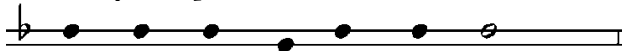
The Gospel

John 10:11-18

Deacon

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

People



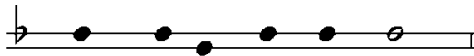
Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People



Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev'd E. Bevan Stanley

A brief moment of silence follows the sermon, and then all stand to sing the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

Mode IV



We be-lieve in one God,



the Fa-ther, the Al-might-y, ma-ker of hea-ven and earth,



of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be-lieve in one Lord, Je - sus Christ,



the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly be - got - ten of the Fa - ther,



God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, be - got - ten,



not made, of one be - ing with the Fa - ther. Through him all things were



made. For us and for our sal - va - tion he came down from heav - en:



by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit he be - came in - car - nate from the



Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man. For our sake he was cru - ci - fied



un - der Pon - tius Pi - late; he suf - fered death and was bu - ried. On the

third day he rose a - gain in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scend - ed
in - to hea - ven and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will
come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his
king - dom will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the
Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son. With the
bow
Fa - ther and the Son he is wor - shipped and glo - ri - fied. He has
spo ken through the Pro - phets. We be - lieve in one ho - ly cath - o - lic and
a - po - sto - lic Church. We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the for -
give - ness of sins. We look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, and the
life of the world to come. A - - - - men

Deacon Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;
People **That thy Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon 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.**

Deacon Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in thy sight.**

Deacon Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon Give to the departed ✠ eternal rest.
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions, after which the Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

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

Welcome & Notices

The Holy Communion

During the anthem, the People's offerings are gathered, which go to support the ministry of Christ Church.

The Offertory

Mode II

O God, my God; eagerly I seek you. I will lift up my hands in your Name, alleluia.

Text: Psalm 63:1

The Offertory Hymn 645

The King of love my shepherd is

St Columba

During the hymn, the People's offerings, along with the Bread and Wine, are presented. As a sign that along with the gifts we are all offered to God's work, the People and Celebrant are censured. The People and Thurifer acknowledge each other with a bow before and after the censuring.

The Great Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer p. 340

All standing, the Great Thanksgiving begins as the People respond to the Celebrant:

The musical notation consists of four lines of music on a single staff each, with a treble clef and a one-flat key signature. The lyrics are as follows:

Line 1: Celebrant: The Lord be with you. | People: And with thy spi - rit.

Line 2: Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. | People: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

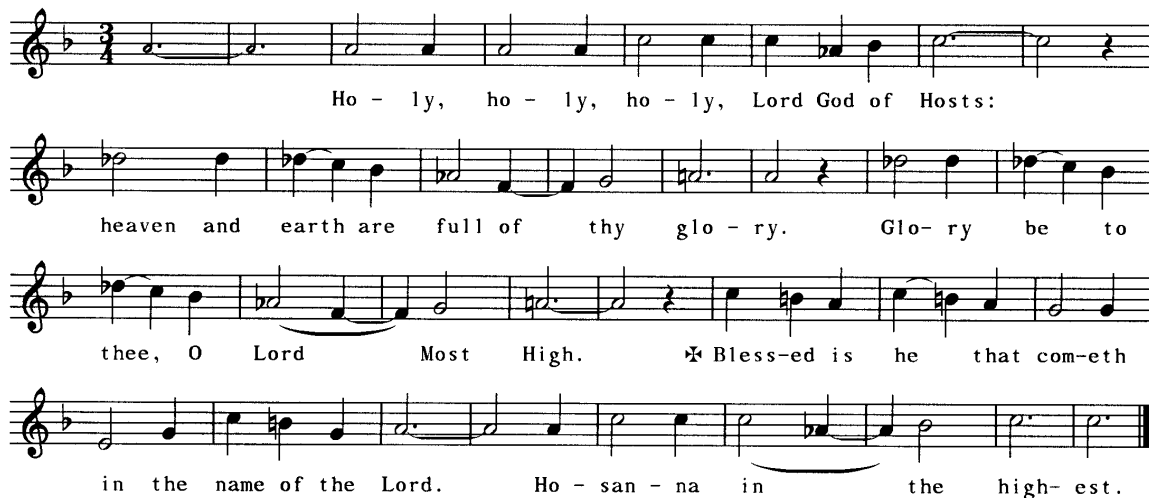
Line 3: Celebrant: Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

Line 4: People: It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant chants a Proper Preface, concluding:

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

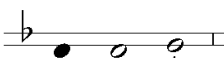
Sanctus & Benedictus qui venit *Sung by all.*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to
thee, O Lord Most High. ✠ Bless-ed is he that com-eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

The People kneel or sit. The Celebrant then continues with the Eucharistic Prayer on page 341 of the Book of Common Prayer.

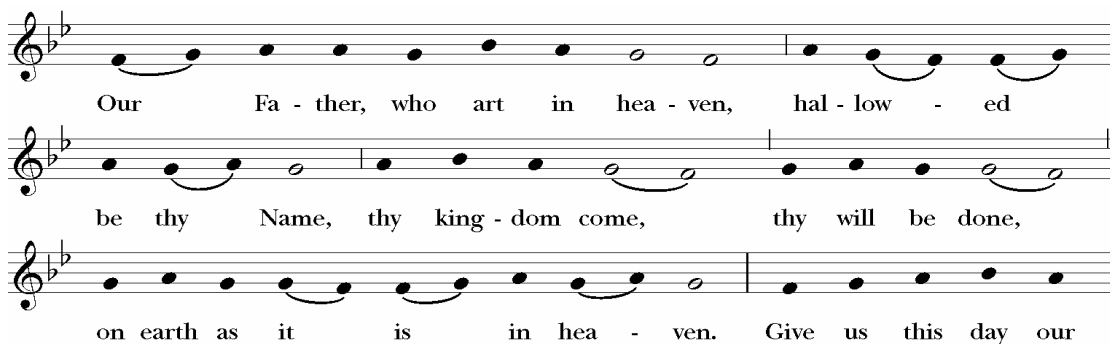
The Prayer concludes: By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.



All then respond: A-men.

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

The Lord's Prayer *Sung by all.*



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our

dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept. Then the Celebrant sings:

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.



The Agnus Dei *Sung by all.*



O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. ✠

At the Communions

All are welcome at the altar of Christ Church. Baptized Christians may receive the Sacrament in the palm or on the tongue; receive the chalice by helping guide it to your lips or by intinction (touching the host to the wine in the chalice). Cross your arms in front of you (hands touching your shoulders) to receive a blessing instead. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. If coming forward is difficult, please advise an usher, who will notify the clergy to bring communion to you at your seat.

The Communion

Mode VIII

I am the good shepherd, alleluia. I know my sheep, and my sheep know me, alleluia, alleluia. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want; he make me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

text: John 10:14; Psalm 23:1-2

The Communion Hymn 334

Praise the Lord

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

After the Communion, all kneel and say together

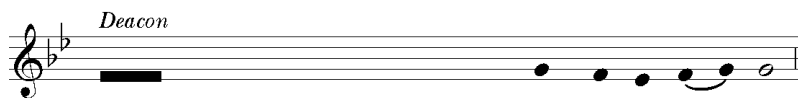
The Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

All stand.

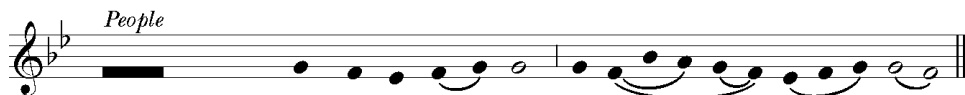
The Dismissal



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia.



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Organ Voluntary

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr (BWV 664)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

PARISH NOTICES

Christ Church Service Schedule

Sundays

- 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer (in the Lady Chapel)
8:45 a.m. Mass with hymns (in the choir)
11:00 a.m. Solemn High Mass (in the nave & livestreamed)
9:00 p.m. Compline (in the nave)

Monday-Friday (in the Lady Chapel)

- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Mon - Fri (in person & livestream)
12:15 p.m. Mon, Wed, Fri Low Mass
5:15 p.m. Tue, Thurs Evening Prayer followed by Low Mass

Upcoming Services & Events

The Sunday Forum meets Sundays in April from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. See christchurchnh.org/forum for more information. *The final Forum is Sunday, April 28.*

Confirmation & Reception: Bishop Laura Ahrens makes an episcopal visitation on Sunday, May 5. If you wish to be confirmed or received into The Episcopal Church please contact the parish office on ccmail@christchurchnh.org for more information.

Midnight Run: Christ Church provides sandwiches and clothing at St Martin de Porres in partnership with Community Soup Kitchen. Come and help make sandwiches in the Parish Hall every other Sunday, continuing today, Sunday, April 28, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. *Contact Ben Schober (203-980-4246 or sexton@christchurchnh.org) with any questions.*

Evensong Friday, April 26, 5:15 p.m. Join Yale Consort at Christ Church for a service of Choral Evensong. Through hymns, psalms, canticles, and reflections, the centuries-old tradition of Choral Evensong invites us to come together in stillness and prayer. The Rev'd Teresa Morgan preaches; the Rector officiates. *Yale Consort is conducted by Professor James O'Donnell and sponsored by the Yale Institute of Sacred Music.*

Parish Gardening Day: Members of the Parish meet Tuesday, April 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to join with the Rector and Sexton to tidy up the garden and prepare for Rogation Sunday. *Bring your gloves & pruning shears! Lunch is provided.*



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