



**CHRIST CHURCH
EPISCOPAL
PARISH**
Lake Oswego, Oregon

Sixth Sunday of Easter

*May 5, 2024
8:00 am*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

BCP 319

Presider Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

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

The people kneel

Collect for Purity

BCP 323

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

BCP 324

**Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest
away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

BCP 224

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Let us pray.

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

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 10:44-48

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98

The people sit.

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.

3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.

7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson

1 John 5:1-6

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

The Gospel

John 15:9-17

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the

master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.**

The Homily **The Rev'd Osborn Muyanja**

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

We believe in one God,
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.

Prayers of the People

Prayer II

BCP 385

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Intercessor I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops, +Michael our Presiding Bishop, +Diana our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Intercessor Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

BCP 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings

Birthday Prayer

BCP 830

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Anniversary Prayer

BCP 431

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 340

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

Presider and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel or stand. Then the Presider continues

Presider All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated

Presider For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty

resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Presider 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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The following may be said here

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

BCP 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

Communion will be received from the altar rail. Please stand or kneel as is our custom. The bread will be placed on your palm. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest if you require this alternative. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 339

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.**

Announcements

Presider

The peace of God, which passeth 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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Please keep these people in your prayers this week.

Judy, Andrew, Michelle, Anselmo, Richard, Brad, Warrren, Carol, Carolyn

To Request a Prayer

Send an email to prayers@ccparish.org with your request.

The Rev'd Osborn Muyanja will be preaching today. Osborn founded the Masaka School in Kiwangala, Uganda, and directs the school, which has grown under his leadership from 17 children orphaned by AIDS to now 1300 students (about 300 as orphans or other special needs children). His dedication now provides schooling and food to children hungry for both. Christ Church supports teacher salaries as well as the children themselves, as do Good Samaritan Ministries in Beaverton, and several other churches. More than one CCEP member has visited the school and come back full of praise and awe.

Pentecost Sunday, May 19, One Liturgy at 10 am Please Join Us for a Potluck Luncheon! We have a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the feast of Pentecost together once again this year. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish.

Our Nursery is staffed with awesome volunteers this Sunday, May 5 during the 10 am service.

Sunday School classes for preschool through grade 5 are in session this Sunday, May 5. Bring your kids to their assigned classrooms at 10 am. We'll join you in the pew for communion.

The Sacred Donut for Middle and High School is not meeting this Sunday, May 5. Stay tuned for our next gathering date

Register for Splish Splash Family Blast starting Sunday is open! We invite families with kids up through grade 5 to join us for 3 Sundays of fun! This summer, we gather June 30, July 28 and August 25. You can find a registration form on the table in the narthex, the program table in the education wing, or get one from the door of your child's Sunday School classroom. It's also available on the website. Registration is a great help in making sure we have the proper quantity of supplies. Splish Splash begins with lunch at noon (bring your own!) followed by a fun bible story, art and science activities, games on the front lawn and the all important POPSICLE PARTY at the close.

The last day of our regular Sunday School year is Sunday, May 19th. The Nursery will be open for babies and toddlers through the summer months.

Beautiful Dark Mulch Warner Allen has generously offered to bring 1.5 units of mulch for our memorial garden. He'll bring his wheelbarrow and the mulch to Christ Church at 10 am on Saturday, May 4, and help spread it in our garden and on the area beside the curved walk, outside the garden (where the new dogwoods are planted). We need a crew to help spread the mulch. Volunteers are asked to bring a shovel. and if you can a wheelbarrow.



Felicitations, Everyone!

We, your faithful Outreach Committee, are delighted to report that a fabulous ALL ABOARD! Auction last night was happily attended by nearly 100 excited train-riders who searched high and low through the church building for Sherlockian clues and rewards, who snuggled down in jammies for popcorn and movies, who caught up on all the latest with friends far and near, and who bid most enthusiastically on our wonderful donated offerings! **We couldn't have done it without you! Many thanks to one and all making possible a carefully crafted series of donations for the charities near and dear to our hearts. More to come! Soon we will report out on the terrific total of bids and donations, and later this summer on how we voted to distribute them to our partners. Meanwhile, blessings on you.**

It's annual Parish Cleanup time! We're going to do our annual spruce-up on Saturday, May 18 starting between 8-9am. We'll be cleaning pews, polishing brass, wiping down surfaces and dusting up a storm to make our church home shiny and fresh. There's lots to do, so we're looking for folks to pitch in. If you're interested, please signup here <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScVHj25NComtRih267XbDf1VcgqesqIAtHelvQsH5vSRbfRWg/viewform?usp=sharing> or drop a note to juniorwarden@ccparish.org.

Come join our Maintenance Team! We're looking for people to serve on our Maintenance Team to do light repair and routine maintenance work. Tasks are similar to the type of maintenance and repair issues you might encounter for your home. Special skills are appreciated, but not necessary to serve. If you're interested, please drop us a line at juniorwarden@ccparish.org with your contact information.

Habitat for Humanity We are looking for volunteers who would like to join us on future “build days” with Habitat for Humanity this Spring and Summer in local build sites. Part of our Outreach mission at Christ Church Episcopal is to help combat homelessness. Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity is one way you can help.

Volunteering with Habitat offers a unique way for a group of friends and family to come together to do something good for the community. At the same time, you can learn new skills and have fun in the process. Volunteers need to be 18 to operate power tools and 16 for other tasks.

Habitat promotes home ownership to families who qualify, who commit 200 hours working alongside with volunteers like us to build homes that meet or exceed local building codes.

No construction experience is needed, you can learn new skills with trained volunteers and have fun in the process.

Please sign up by sending your contact information to:

CCEP Outreach Liaison for Habitat for Humanity

Steve Whittaker - steve@whittpho.com

Outreach: Spring Canned Food Drive Food Pantry Updates

It's Springtime and our CCEP food pantry shelves are beginning to bloom with your donations!

We are working with multiple food pantries connected to the Oregon Food Bank along with other outreach ministries that our parish supports.

Each time our shelves are fully stocked, we cycle the food to one of those food pantries: along with sharing those donations with other parish-related outreach ministries that we support:

William Temple House:

As soon as our shelves are once stocked with your donations, we will transfer your donated food to the William Temple House Food Pantry in Portland, serving about 1,500 families per month.

How You Can Help:

When you are grocery shopping, please pick up some additional food products allowing us to continue our support to the many emergency food pantries in our area.

We are requesting a variety of canned food products.

- Infant formula
- canned fruit, soups, beans, spam, tuna, chicken
- cereal, rice, and pasta.

These items serve a critical part of our mission in combating hunger in our area and your donations really do make a difference in people's lives.

Important: Most emergency food pantries will reject expired food products. Please check the expiration dates before you donate.

Thank you CCEP Parishioners for your help and please keep those food donations coming! If you have any questions, please contact

Steve Whittaker steve@whittpho.com

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