



CHRIST CHURCH
AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA
FOUNDED 1715, NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA

Our Vision: To be a church that loves the way God Loves

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024 — 11:00 am

Book of Common (BCP) and Hymnal pages are listed on the right. **BCP:** Book of Common Prayer (black),
S or H: Hymnal 1982 (blue), **WLP:** Wonder, Love, and Praise (green), **L:** Lift Every Voice (red)

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HEARING AND RESPONDING TO HOLY SCRIPTURE

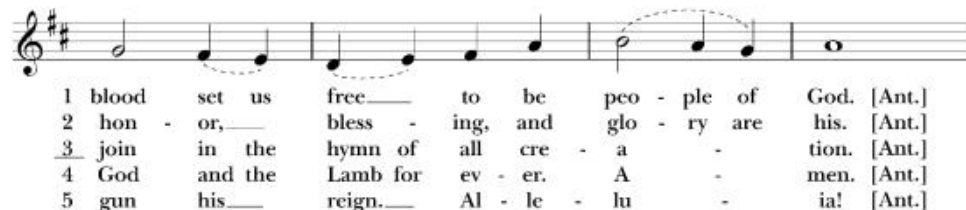
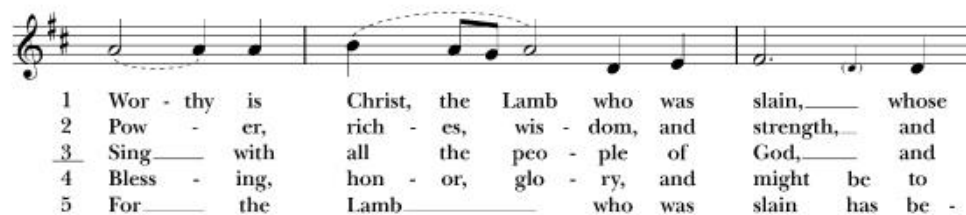
Prelude Sonata “Pathetique,” Opus 13, 2nd movement Ludwig van Beethoven

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn Be thou my vision H 488

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is Risen. BCP 355
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**
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. **Amen.**

Song of Praise This is the feast of victory for our God H 417



Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.

Please sit for the reading of the scriptures.

The First Lesson

Acts 10:44-48

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 (*Spoken in unison*)

Cantate Domino

BCP 727

- 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

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

This is my Father's World (*Alternate Tune*)

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,

na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
rus-tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'-ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901
Music: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852-1930, adapt.

TERRA PATRIS
S.M.D.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Children's Homily

The Rev. H. Paul Canady III

The Sermon

The Rev. H. Paul Canady III and Jacqueline Nappi

The Nicene Creed *All stand*

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 Form VI *Stand or kneel*

BCP 392

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Rob our own Bishop, and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Joan Fitch, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We remember St. Paul's, Greenville; and the Pamlico Deanery, in this week's Diocesan Cycle of Prayer. The flowers behind the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving of their 70th wedding anniversary by Bill and Barbara Wilson.

God of all humanity, now more than ever we pray to you for peace and justice in the world you have created. For the people of Israel and Palestine, for the Sudanese people, for Ukraine, and all the places where war and conflict are present. We pray for peace in our land, too, that words and actions by those in authority will bring hope and healing to those who need it most, and that we may show your glory by loving our neighbors as you love us. **Amen.**

We omit the confession during the season of Easter as a reminder of Jesus' triumph over the grave and the unmerited grace given to us by God through Jesus.

The Peace *All stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Sentence

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Music at the Offertory

Look at all the World

John Rutter

Parish Choir

Receiving Communion and One-On-One Prayer

Christ welcomes all to communion. Those Baptized in any Christian tradition are encouraged to receive communion.

- Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips.
- If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. Use the small individual cups at the lower station if you wish to dip your wafer.
- Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are also available at the lower station.
- Respond to communion by saying "Amen."
- If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.
- Baptism is offered several times yearly; speak to a priest to learn more.
- If you wish to pray one-on-one with a Prayer Minister, go to the Chapel after receiving communion or a blessing.
- Prayer ministers hold all requests in absolute confidence.

Hymn at the Presentation

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

H 174 v. 4

**Easter triumph, Easter joy, these alone do sin destroy.
From sin's power do thou set free souls newborn, O Lord in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise:
risen Lord, all praise to thee with the Spirit ever be.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer, Prayer C

BCP 369

Sanctus

S 129

The Celebrant continues

Invitation to Communion

We welcome to communion all who have been baptized in any Christian tradition. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available at the lower communion station.

Communion Hymn

My God, thy table now is spread

H 321

Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitor *Standing*

Celebrant We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.

People **Take these holy gifts of our Lord's Body and Blood and go forth in the name of Christ Church. May those to whom you go experience with us the majesty and mystery of His presence through the sharing of the bread and wine.**

All **We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
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 forever. Amen.**

The Blessing *Standing*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

All creatures of our God and King

H 400

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia..

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

Postlude

Sonata “Pathetique,” Opus 12, 1st movement (excerpt)

Ludwig van Beethoven

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Intercessor/Eucharistic Minister: Bob Emory

Prayer Minister: Andrew Garlick

Greeters: Peter and Michele Mnatzakian **Ushers:** Ed Campbell and Vinson Bowers

Acolytes: Helen Underhill, Brooke Buhrmaster, Julia Ballard, Beckett Jennings

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Paul’s, Greenville; Pamlico Deanery

CHRIST CHURCH CLERGY AND STAFF

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CHRIST CHURCH VESTRY

Term - 2024: Tony Embrey, Phyllis Fox (*Senior Warden*), Rebecca Buchanan Leahy, Susan Moffat-Thomas

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MISSION

The mission of Christ Episcopal Church is to welcome and inspire all people to faith, hope and spiritual growth through worship, Christian fellowship, and service to one another and to the community beyond.

Please Note: You will notice that not all weekly church events are listed here. If there are no changes to your regularly scheduled event, it might not appear below. The entire calendar can be viewed online at <https://www.christchurchnewbern.com/calendar> and in the Sunday morning email. Signs with the complete calendar are posted on the kiosk in the Reception Area and the bulletin board across from the Library. Daily calendar signs are posted on the church's exterior doors.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 5

Birthday and Anniversary Sunday

GIG Volunteer Recognition

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Camp Hope Card Party (Parish House)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))

Monday, May 6

2 pm: Organ Installation Meeting (Pelletier Room)

Tuesday, May 7

7 am: Al-Anon Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

3 pm: Graveside Funeral Service for Joan Fitch

6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

Wednesday, May 8

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

Thursday, May 9

12 pm: Feast of the Ascension Eucharist (Chapel)

3:30 pm: Discernment Committee Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

Saturday, May 11

10 am: Sons of the American Revolution (Parish House)

2 pm: Funeral Service for Jim Banks (Nave)

Sunday, May 12

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for All Ages

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))