CHRIST CHURCH WELCOMES YOU
God Loves You—No Exceptions!

♦ All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please remain standing and the wafer will be placed in your open palm. The wine may be received by taking a small cup from the tray. *If you have mobility issues, please tell the usher upon your arrival and the priest will bring communion to you in your pew.*

♦ Episcopal tradition is to stand to sing, sit to listen and kneel to pray. However, do what is customary for you. Outward and visible signs of faith such as kneeling, making the sign of the cross, bowing, etc. are at the discretion of the individual.

♦ Children are a delight for us! Please do not worry about noise or if you have to go in and out (and in and out). There are toys and coloring books by the front door of the church—help yourself.

♦ An accessible rest room is located in the hallway to the Parish House.

*It is a delight to have you here, worshipping with us.*

*Our hope is that you feel welcomed in this place of God, by this family of God.*

*We'd like to get to know you and to answer any questions you may have about our church. Please introduce yourself to our Worship Ministers and Parishioners.*
Prelude
Announcements
Blessing of the Masks

**PLEASE STAND AS ABLE**

Processional Hymn ...................................................... O Bless The Lord, My Soul # 411

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

*And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

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.*

*Glory to God in the highest,*
*and peace to God’s people on earth.*
*Lord God, heavenly King,*
*almighty God and Father,*
*we worship you, we give you thanks,*
*we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,*
*Lord God, Lamb of God,*
*you take away the sin of the world:* *have mercy on us;*
*you are seated at the right hand of the Father:* *receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,*
*you alone are the Lord,*
*you alone are the Most High,*
*Jesus Christ,*
*with the Holy Spirit,*
*in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*
Let us pray.
The Collect of the Day

*O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

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**THE LESSONS**

A Reading from the Book of Exodus................................................................. 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*
Psalm 114.................................................................................................................. In exitu Israel
Hallelujah!
When Israel came out of Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
Judah became God's sanctuary
and Israel his dominion.
The sea beheld it and fled;
Jordan turned and went back.
The mountains skipped like rams,
and the little hills like young sheep.
What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?
O Jordan, that you turned back?
You mountains, that you skipped like rams?
you little hills like young sheep?
Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

A Reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans................................................................. 14:1-12
Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.”
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew .................. 18:21-35

_Glority to you, Lord Christ._

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of the Lord

_Praise to you, Lord Christ._

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

Homily ................................................................. The Rev. Kyle Murphy

**PLEASE STAND AS ABLE**
The Nicene Creed

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.
The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: O Lord in our midst, awaken our souls to Your presence. Keep us from wandering, forget our iniquities, and bring us closer to You as we pray:

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

O Lord in our midst, grant us the fortitude to challenge all leaders in governments across the expanse of this Planet, to work together to achieve the peace of living together in unity. We pray especially for: Donald, our President; Tom, our Governor, Derek, our Mayor; and all our elected officials.

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

O Lord in our midst, calm all who are in fear and heal all who are suffering in any part of life. Comfort those who serve. We now lift to you those in need. (Silence)

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

O Lord in our midst, free the hearts of those bowed down in grief, as we pray for our loved ones who now dwell in Your heavenly house forever. We pray for those whom we love, but see no longer. (Silence)

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

O Lord in our midst, we pause in this moment to offer You our other heartfelt thanksgivings, intercessions, petitions, and memorials. (Silence)

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

O Lord in our midst, we give You thanks for all who are chosen to show us by Word and example how to finish the race of this life, keep the faith, and walk together to our home in You. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Audrey, our Bishop; and Kyle, our Rector.

Dear God, for Your mercy, we pray

Celebrant: Loving Lord, sustain us in our struggle to live humbly in Your sight, to free ourselves from the sin of self-promotion, and to set our hearts on the pilgrim’s way. We ask through Christ Jesus, our Savior; and the Holy Spirit, our Advocate; who together with You are One God in Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence)
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.
The Absolution

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

PLEASE TURN AND BOW OR WAVE TO YOUR NEIGHBORS TO EXCHANGE THE PEACE.

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HOLY COMMUNION
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PLEASE STAND AS ABLE

Offertory ......................Crown Him With Many Crowns..........................#494

All things come of Thee, O God
And of thine own have we given thee

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE PEOPLE STAND OR KNEEL.
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*
*Christ is risen.*
*Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer

*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 forever and ever. Amen.*
The Breaking of the Bread
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

All God’s children, of whatever age or church background, are welcome to receive communion.

**PLEASE WAIT IN YOUR PEW UNTIL THE USHER DISMISSES YOU.**

Communion Hymns............................................................Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive #674
God is Love, and Where True Love is #576

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.
*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.*

The Blessing
**PLEASE STAND AS ABLE**

Recessional Hymn .............................................................Go Forth For God #347

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude
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PLEASE JOIN US AGAIN

Sundays:
Holy Eucharist 10:00 AM

Wednesdays:
Online 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM
Holy Day services as announced

1st Saturday Supper
A FREE Meal Each Month - Open to the Community