



# Christ Church Cathedral

## Hartford, Connecticut

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### The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### October 8, 2017

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*Many of us have come from different faith traditions; some from no tradition. All of us may have been drawn to this sacred space seeking answers to life's deeper questions. Wherever life is taking you, know that we are honored by your presence and invite you to experience God's life giving grace with us at Christ Church Cathedral. As a community of faith we celebrate God's graciousness by proclaiming in word and deed that God's love is abundant and unconditional. All baptized are welcome at the Lord's Table. You are in a sacred space. Please turn off your cell phones and refrain from texting and all conversations once the prelude begins. Assisted hearing devices are available in the back of the church. An usher will be happy to assist you. Please join us for Fellowship Hour in the Auditorium following the service. We thank God for your participation in God's Mission.*

*Hymns are in The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS).*

*There are no hymns and the first reading will not be read at the 8 a.m. service.*

*The Gloria is recited at the 8:00 a.m. service. It can be found on page 356 of the Book of Common Prayer.*

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#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**PRELUDE** – Prelude in Eb

Alexander Guilmant

**PROCESSIONAL** – Hymnal 495 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

*In Babilone*

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

*People* **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.**

**GLORIA** – S204

**THE COLLECT**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings of Holy Scripture.*

**THE FIRST READING** – Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### **THE PSALM – Psalm 19**    *Caeli enarrant* (Sung by the Choir)

1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,

4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleans me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

### **THE SECOND READING – Philippians 3:4b-14**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have

suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

**THE GRADUAL – LEVAS 165** I am Pressing on the Upward Way

*Spiritual*

**THE GOSPEL – Matthew 21:33-46**

*Priest*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*           **Glory to you, Lord, Christ.**

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

*Priest*           The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*           **Praise to you, Lord, Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

*The Celebrant stands. Please stand as you are 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**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us raise our prayers to God the author and giver of all good things.

For the Church throughout the world that it may reveal your love and hope to all people. We pray especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Ian and Laura our Bishops, Lina our Dean, Molly, Tim, Lee Ann, Jay, and Lois our Priest Associates, for Fred, our Aspirant for Holy Orders and for our Parish Committee and Ministry Teams.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For the President of the United States, the members of Congress, leaders of world nations, and elected officials in the State of Connecticut, that they may work for peace, and ensure the safety, health and welfare of the people they serve.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

That through our variety of gifts we may be faithful apostles as we continue to serve and be a presence in the lives of those in our congregations, the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, our communities and the world.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer affliction in body, mind or spirit, the lonely, and those who have no hope.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For those who have asked for our prayers: **Dina, Shirleyanne, Jackie, Aubrey, Kelley, Theresa, Brandon, Grace, Ben, Frank, Brooke, Gladys, Monica, Roberta, Fr. John, Fr. Bill, Emily, Kevin, Brenda, Jeffrey, Mat, Terrie, Robert, Eric, Leon and Liam.**

We thank you for our many blessings, especially for your presence in our lives and for the land which sustains us, in all its variety and complexity.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our Prayer.**

For those who rest with Christ especially the victims of the shooting in Las Vegas, that they may continue to support us with their love in the Communion of Saints.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant*

Hear our prayers Lord, and awaken us to your glory. Open our eyes to your presence; open our ears to your call; open our hearts to your love. This we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Priest says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**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 Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## HEALING PRAYER

**HEALING ANTHEM** – Heal Us, Lord

Rick Swenton

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** – O Hold Thou Me Up

Benedetto Marcello

**OFFERTORY HYMN – HYMNAL 546** Awake, My Soul, Stretch every Nerve

*Siroë*

**THE DOXOLOGY** – Hymnal 380 v.3

*Old Hundredth*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also 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.**

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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name

## THE SANCTUS – S114

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

*Celebrant and People*

**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**

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

*A period of Silence is kept.*

### **AGNUS DEI – S159**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. In going up to the railing to receive Holy Communion, please follow the direction given by the ushers. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand and the wine by drinking from the Cup or by intinction (touching the Bread to the Wine). If you are unable to come to the railing, please let an usher know and the Sacraments will be brought to you. During Communion the Laying on of Hands and Anointing is offered in the Chapel and the Baptistry.*

**COMMUNION HYMN – 314** Humbly I Adore Thee

*Adoro devote*

### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant and people*

**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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN – HYMNAL 598** Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam'st to Earth *Mit Freuden zart*

### **THE DISMISSAL**

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE – Prelude and Fugue in D**

G. F. Handel

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**If you are visiting us for the first time, WELCOME!**

We would like to keep you informed of the amazing blessings we experience in this house of prayer. Please sign the guest book located in the main foyer, and fill out a Visitor's Card found in the pew and either place in the offering plate or return by mail. And, please introduce yourself to the Dean.

*Please join us for Fellowship Hour in the Cathedral House Auditorium immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Service.*

**OUR SERVICES**

**Sunday**

8:00 a.m..... Holy Eucharist in English  
10:00 a.m..... Holy Eucharist in English with Music  
12:30 p.m..... Santa Misa en Español con Música

**Saturday**

2:00 p.m..... Church by the Pond, Bushnell Park between Jewell Street and the Pond.  
Read more about Church by the Pond at [www.churchbythepond.org](http://www.churchbythepond.org)

**Wednesday**

12 Noon.....Holy Eucharist in English

**TODAY**

**Uyeki Forum**

11:30 a.m. – Reception Room

**SAVE THE DATE**

**And**

**Read more about these upcoming events in the weekly E News.**

**OCTOBER 4 – Wellness Wednesday**

5:15 p.m. Zumba Class, 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship, 6:30 p.m. Dinner

**OCTOBER 7 - 2:00 p.m.**

Blessing of the Animals – Church by the Pond

**OCTOBER 18 – 6:45 p.m.**

Choir Open House – ALL are invited

**OCTOBER 22 - 11:30 a.m.**

Usher and Greeter Workshop - Facilitator, Anne Watkins

**OCTOBER 22 - 3:00 p.m.**

Church Street Eats Volunteer Appreciation

**OCTOBER 28 – 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

North Central Region Costume Party  
at our Cathedral

**NOVEMBER 17 -18**

Annual Convention of ECCT – Greenwich

**NOVEMBER 19 – HARVEST FESTIVAL – 10:00 a.m.**

Come and celebrate and give thanks.



**WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL**  
**An Episcopal Church within the Anglican Communion**

All faithful lay people and clergy of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut

The Rt. Rev. Ian T. Douglas, Bishop Diocesan

The Rt. Rev. Laura J. Ahrens, Bishop Suffragan

The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Dean

The Rev. Molly James, Priest Associate, Dean of Formation, ECCT

The Rev. Canon Timothy Hodapp, Priest Associate, Canon for Mission Collaboration, ECCT

The Rev. Canon Lee Ann Tolzmann, Priest Associate, Canon for Mission Leadership, ECCT

The Rev. Jay Cooke, Priest Associate

The Rev. Lois Keen, Priest Associate

Peggy K. Ornell, Verger

*Since 1762, this Christian community has gathered for worship. To learn more about the ministries we share in this place, you are invited to speak to the clergy or parishioners after the service.*

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

**Serving at 8:00 a.m.**

Celebrant and Preacher..... The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Dean

Chalice Bearer..... Everton McCalla

Lector..... Tom Smith

Verger..... John Scott

**Serving at 10:00 a.m.**

Celebrant and Preacher..... The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Dean

Verger..... John Scott

Chalice Bearer..... Jay Lechause

1<sup>st</sup> Lector..... Lillian Kezerian

2<sup>nd</sup> Lector..... Pat Wrice

Intern..... Shancia Jarrett

Acolytes..... Courtney Hanson, Mariah McBride, Delano Romano, Luis Rodriguez

Healing..... Rose Eagen, Jilda Aliotta

Ushers..... Ann and Sylvestus Nelson, Gilbeean Scott, Sheila Green

Altar Guild..... June and Em Aziz, Monica Best, Sheila Green, Connie Bain

Conseulo Amat, Janice and Fred Faulkner

Chime Ringer..... John Quiroga

**CATHEDRAL STAFF**

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