



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
CONNECTICUT'S CATHEDRAL

Christ Church Cathedral
Hartford, Connecticut
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025

*We acknowledge the Tunxis, Sicaog, Wangunks and Poquonook people,
the traditional custodians of the land on which Christ Church Cathedral is located.
We pay respect to their elders, past and present. We respect their people and traditions
as a continued call to live out the ministry of reconciliation to which we are called.*

Welcome to our community!

*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.*

At the Lord's Table, all baptized are welcome to receive Communion.

*Please turn off your cell phones once the prelude begins.
Should you like to speak with a priest following the service, please contact an usher.
Hymns are in The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS).*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude "Salix" from *Plymouth Suite*

Percy Whitlock

Processional Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 42 I serve a risen Savior

Easter Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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 ~ *The Hymnal 1982* # s 278

William Mathias

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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.**

Please be seated.

Reading ~ Acts 16:9–15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67 *Deus misereatur ~ Sung by the Choir*

George Thalben-Ball

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
 show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
 your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
 for you judge the peoples with equity
 and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, *
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Reading ~ Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of

God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Lector The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able for the

Gradual Hymn ~ *The Hymnal 1982* # 490 I want to walk as a child of the light

Houston

The Gospel ~ John 14:23-29

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

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

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon ~ Dr. Jilda Aliotta

The Celebrant stands. Please stand as you are able for the

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

With all our heart and all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

For the Church, that its leaders may proclaim by their words and actions, the good news of the Resurrection. We pray especially for Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell; the Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally; and the Bishop of Dover, Rose Hudson-Wilkin, who have been delegated the official functions of the Archbishop of Canterbury while the seat is vacant. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Jeff and Laura, our Bishops; Lina, our Dean; Tony, our Canon for Latino Ministry; Bonnie, our Deacon; Jay, Harlon, Dana, Ranjit, D, Rebekah, and Kevin, our Associate Clergy; and for our Congregation Committee and Ministry Teams. We pray also for our sister diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our Dean, the Very Reverend Miguelina Howell, as she enters a time of sabbatical. May this season be one of rest, renewal, and joyful discovery. We pray for her family, that they may share in moments of delight, connection, and peace. May God's Spirit guide her in prayer, in study, in travel, and in play, and return her to us refreshed and strengthened for the ministry ahead. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For peace in our world. For our President, world leaders and elected officials at all levels that they may govern with integrity, wisdom and courage to ensure the health, safety and well-being of the people they serve. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our Cathedral congregation that we may walk in the presence of the Risen Lord with a renewed spirit of community and mission. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who live in darkness and are without hope, especially the sick in body, mind and spirit, the homeless and hungry, refugees and immigrants who live fear and anxiety. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have asked for our prayers, especially Will, Kathleen R., Connie, Joan Z, Maïa, Lee, Almeta, Camille, Gerard, Lourdes, Lenora, Ardyce, Mike R., Jennifer, Andrew, Benjamin, Adrienne, Felicity, Sherrod, Graham, Richard, Mark, Bill, Betty Jo, Michael, Jason, Andrew, Jeannie, Denise, Shelly N., Dennis, Charlene, Marcia, Sean, Mary, Andrew, David, Shaun, Thomas, Alberto, Kelley, Allison, Dina, Aubrey, Bill, Grace, Ben, Frank, Eric, Nelson, Joan, Treviana, Bob, Tyrone, Todd, Rosa, Miguel, Javon, Debbie, Julian, Rose, Samy, Eugenia, Louis, Sylvia, Anne, Harmony, Cristianne, Joslin, Mary Ellen, Sheila, Priscilla, Guale, Mercy, Deborah, Pam, Camden and those we now name.

(pause)

We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the many blessings you have given us, and for those we love who have passed beyond death and rejoice in your kingdom. We pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant By your mercy Lord, hear the prayers we offer this day and give us new life and new hope through the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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.

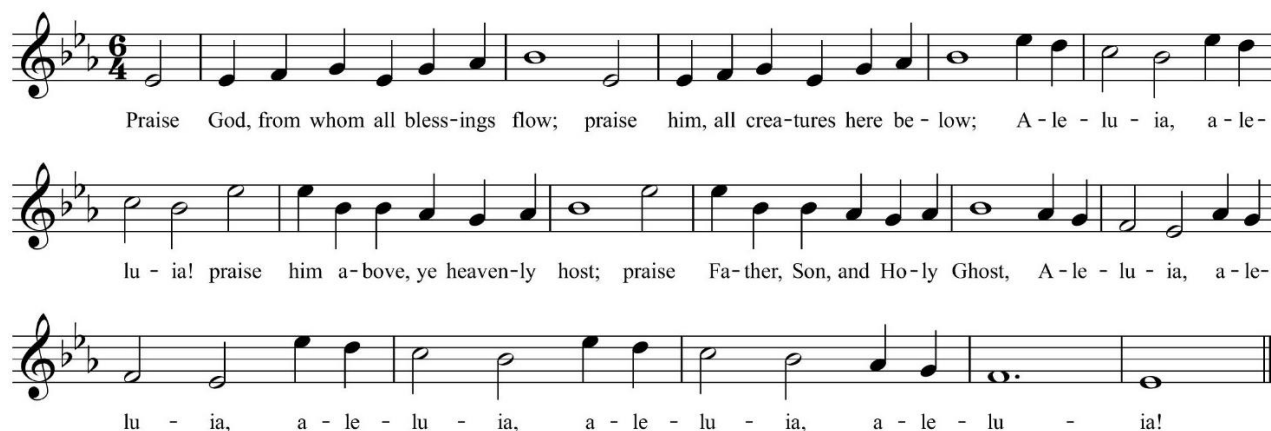
Welcome and Announcements ~ Anne Bartholomew & The Ven. Bonnie Matthews

Offertory Anthem ~ Let the peoples praise you, O God

Bruce Neswick

The Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; A - le - lu - ia, a - le -
lu - ia! praise him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, A - le - lu - ia, a - le -
lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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

Celebrant Our Father, who art in heaven,
and people 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

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem ~ *The Hymnal 1982* # S 155

Gerald R. Near

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. When coming forward to receive Holy Communion, please follow the direction given by the ushers. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. If you are unable to come to the front, please let an usher know and the Sacraments will be brought to you.

Communion Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 141 Shall we gather at the river

Postcommunion Prayer

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.

Easter Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and giver of life, be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Retiring Hymn ~ *The Hymnal 1982* # 191

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise [stanzas 1, 2, & 5]

Lux eoi

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude Fugue in g minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Please join us for fellowship in the Cathedral House Auditorium following the service.

We would like to keep you informed of the amazing blessings we experience in this house of prayer.

Please introduce yourself to Canon Garcia or Archdeacon Matthews.

Dean Howell is on sabbatical until Sunday, June 1.



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*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.*

Serving at 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant

The Rev. Harlon Dalton, HONORARY CANON & PRIEST ASSOCIATE

Preacher

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Assisting

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Psalm Leader

John Scott

Intercessor / Altar Server

John Scott

Lector

Tom Smith

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