CHRIST CHURCH
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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Season After Pentecost: Ordinary Time
Fall 2025
10 a.m.

Welcome to worship this morning!

We are gathered as the one Body of Christ, seeking solace and strength, pardon and renewal. All we need for worship is inside this pamphlet, and on the inserts.

Thank you for joining us!

Loving God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches

Welcome to Christ Episcopal Church this morning. Thank you for joining us.

The day's readings and music are found in the insert. Hymn numbers are for the Hymnal 1982 or Wonder, Love and Praise in the pew rack. We are delighted that you are here.

Organ Prelude

Opening Hymn

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God, Creator, Christ and Spirit.

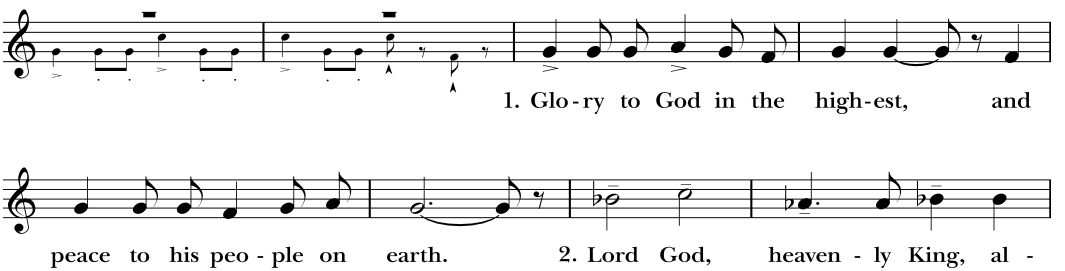
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

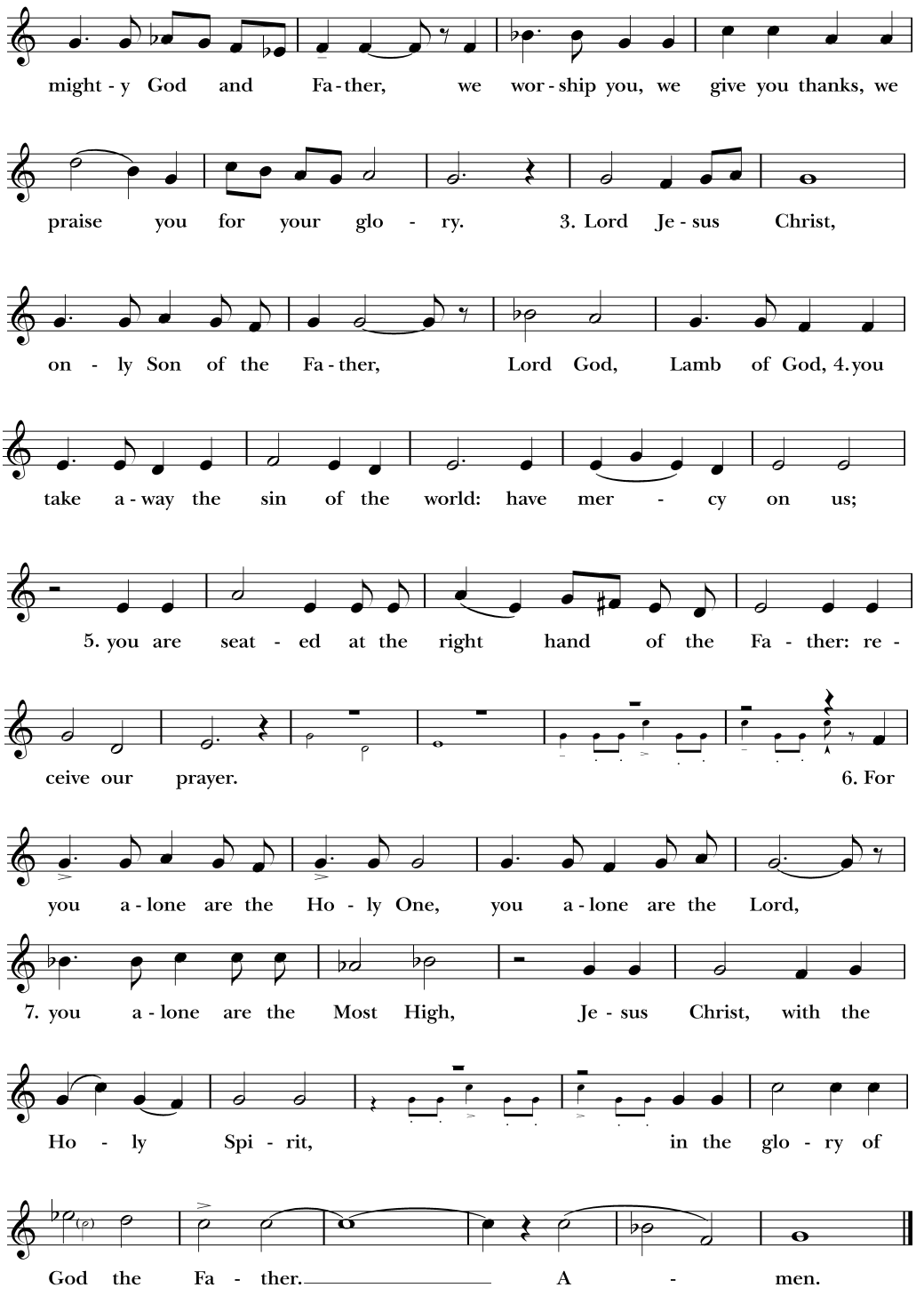
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Gloria S278

All





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The Collect of the Day

The Collect of the Day is found on the green insert.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Please be seated.

Welcome

The First Lesson

The readings are found on the green insert.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

The Psalm is found on the green insert and is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk (*).

The Second Lesson

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Gradual Hymn

The Gospel

The Celebrant announces the Gospel.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ.

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

At the conclusion of The Gospel:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

A moment of silent reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

The Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

All **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 V adapted from Book of Common Prayer, p. 389

After the bidding, "Are there others?" the congregation may offer prayers, either silently or aloud.

Intercessor In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer." For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Julia our Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, [especially_____], and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For those in positions of public trust, [especially_____], that they may serve justice, love mercy, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; [especially_____], that you stir us up to assist in their relief and protection, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For our fragile earth: for ecosystems, seen and unseen; air, earth, and water; organisms of every kind, threatened by our greed and thoughtlessness, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For a spirit of gratitude and the gift of wonder in all your works, [especially_____], we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who have commended themselves to our prayers, [especially___], for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who have died in the communion of your Church, [especially__], and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord our God.**

Silence.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever. **Amen**.

Confession of Sin *Enriching Our Worship*, p. 19

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Please kneel as able, in body or spirit. A brief pause is observed.

All **God of all mercy,**
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people exchange a brief sign of Christ's peace.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The People's Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Doxology: Hymn 380 (V3) Praise to God *Old 100th*

Sung by All **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 2 *Enriching Our Worship*, p. 60

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

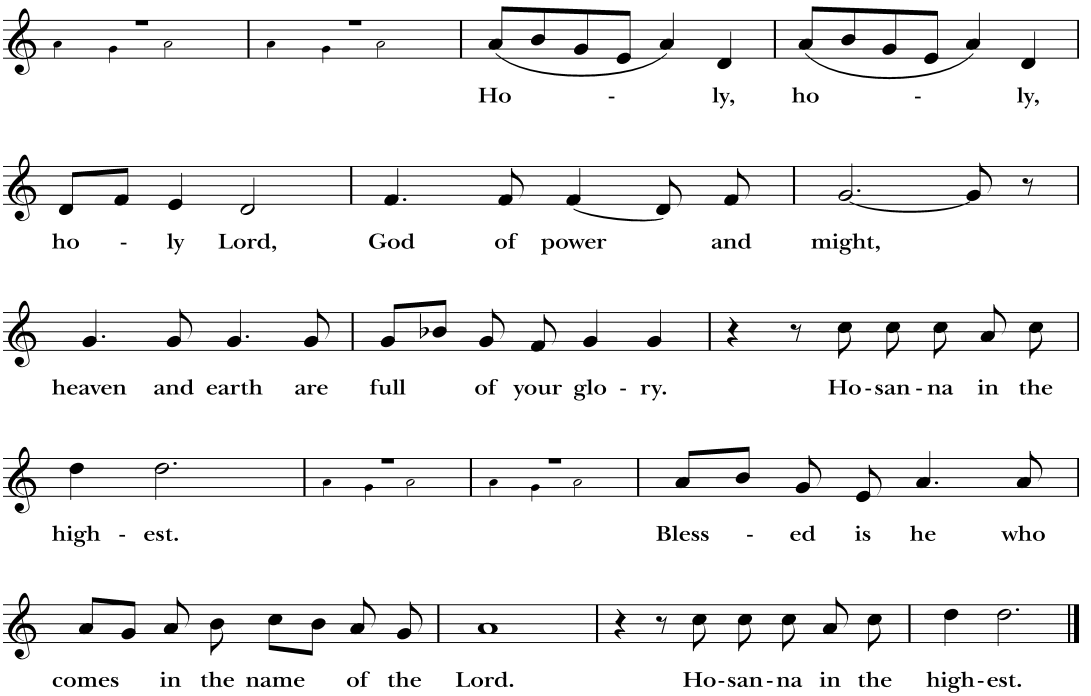
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus S128

All



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Please kneel as able, in body or spirit.

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.
Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S154

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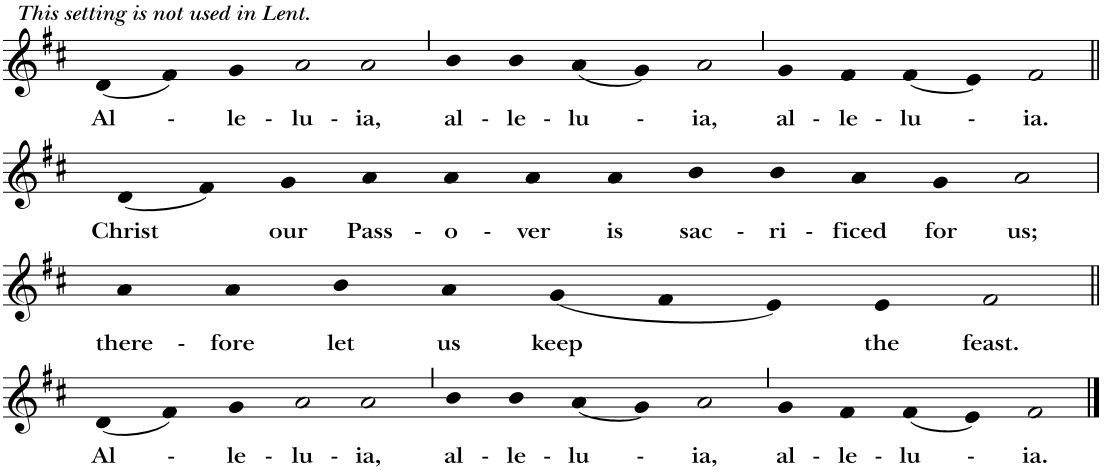

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The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Jesus said, "Come unto me, all who are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." All are invited to this table for Christ's refreshment.

The Communion

All are invited to come forward to the Lord's Table. We receive Communion at the foot of the steps. If you would like communion brought to you at your seat, please let an Usher know. If you prefer a blessing rather than the bread and wine, please cross your hands over your chest. You may take the chalice and drink, or touch it as a sign of reverence. Intincting (dipping) the bread in the wine is permitted but discouraged, per Diocesan guidelines.

Music During Communion

Post-Communion Prayer Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

Please kneel as able, in body or spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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 adapted from Henri-Frédéric Amiel (1821–1881)

Celebrant Life is short and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the One, Holy, and Undivided Trinity, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Closing Hymn

The altar party moves to the center aisle to sing the Closing Hymn, then joins the congregation in sitting to enjoy the postlude.

Organ Postlude

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, loving God, our neighbor and all creation, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

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