Christ Church Charlotte
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 15, 2026 · 8:45 and 11:15 AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome to worship in your Spiritual Home.

Special greetings to our visitors! We invite you to chat with one of our clergy, check in with a greeter, or email visitor@christchurchcharlotte.org so we can connect with you.

This bulletin is designed for use with the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and Hymnal in your pew rack. Text in ***bold italics*** is read aloud or sung by the congregation. Text in *regular italics* provides directions or details.

Prelude Raise the Song of Harvest Home *(8:45 am service)* arr. Brian Childers
Christ Church Handbell Ensemble

Improvisation *(11:15 am service)*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn 9 Not here for high and holy things *Morning Song*

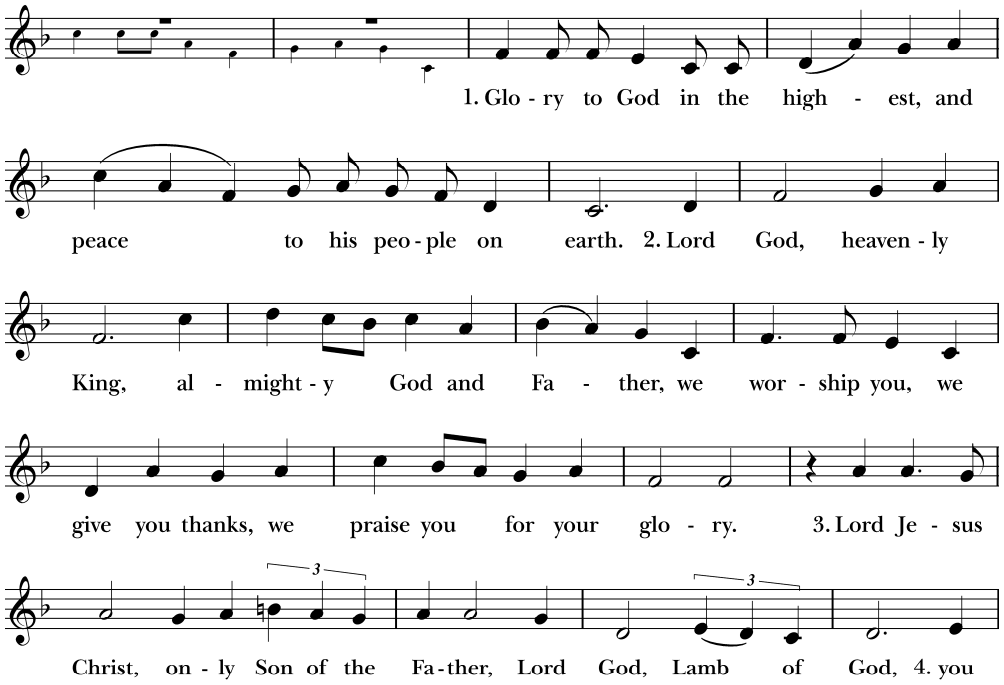
The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
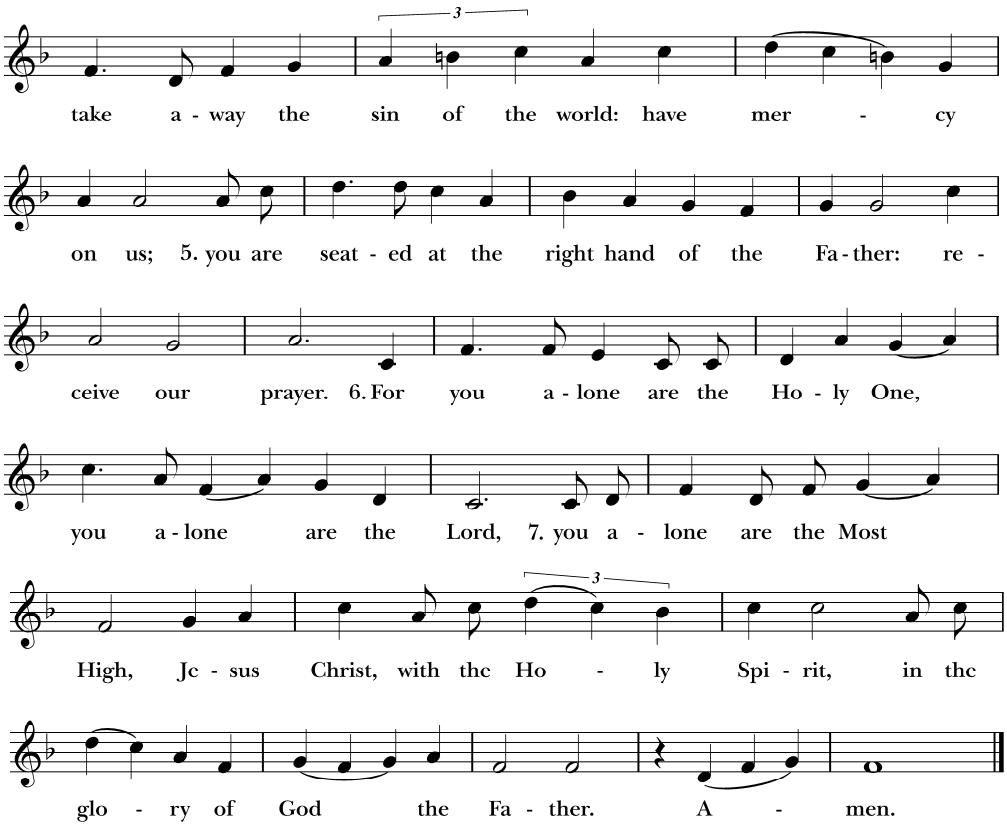
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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Gloria in excelsis S-280 Robert Powell



(Hymn continues on the next page.)



The Collect of the Day

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

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The Sermon The Reverend Chip Edens

The Nicene Creed *(standing)* 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 *(standing)* 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 Donald our President: Josh our governor, Rob, our mayor, our city council, the Congress and the Courts.
For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For our community partners in mission and outreach including Communities in Schools (CIS).
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 Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Jennifer, our Bishops; Orlando, Bishop of Costa Rica; Metlha, Bishop of Botswana; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Chile. For all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For those sick in mind, body, and spirit including Anne Chaplin, Nelson Schwab, Bob Clark, Bridger Lee Hodsden, Caroline Smythe, Robert Fitzgerald, Merrill McManus, Dee Griffith, Freeman Blackwell, Dan Jones, Richard Schulz, Jane Todd, Grant Webb, John Malter, Emily James Ruggieri, Daryl McCollum, Johnsie Canny, Joe Turner, and those we name silently and aloud.

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Hear us, Lord;
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We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray for those who long to have children and for the expectant mothers in our parish (Hannah Weiss Plantinga, Allie Miller, Bri Owen, Josie Desmond, Georgia Brumback, Caroline Patrick, Sinclair McLean Giovanine, Liza Prieb, Tinsley Ullrich Moore, Sarah Blackwell, Dannie Pendergrast, Sallie Ratcliffe Eggleston, Sumner Lowden, Elizabeth Hupp, Meredith Landers Cotter, K.C. Creasy, Anne Christian Brown, Griffin DiDonato, Mary Close, Francie Rowe, Anne Short, Christine Doss, Jordan Kunkle, Margaret Wyatt Hobby, GG Packer Long, Anna Baynard Woodside, Emma Grace Lloyd Krause and Sara Salisbury Reddy. We give thanks for the birth of Kit McClellan Roberts, grandson of Chris and Jeff Weiss.

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We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom including L. Russell Ranson III; Susan Margaret Taylor Jordan; Joseph Franklin Martin, brother of Sophie Wood.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines.
God of grace and mercy, hear our prayer.

The celebrant says this concluding collect,
Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

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The clergy 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.*

The Peace *(standing)*
Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Announcements

Blessing of Prayer Shawls and Crochet Hearts

Bless these shawls and hearts, O Lord, and knit them with the prayers and love of this community. May they bring warmth and comfort to those who are weary. May they give confidence that none of us is alone in our troubles. May they be cloaks filled with the encouragement of Christ. In the names of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

As you come forward for communion please add your prayers to the shawls.

Offertory

Offertory Anthem Do not be afraid — Philip Stopford

Refrain: Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by your name; you are mine.

When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you;
You will never sink beneath the waves.
When the fire is burning all around you,
You will never be consumed by the flames.

Refrain

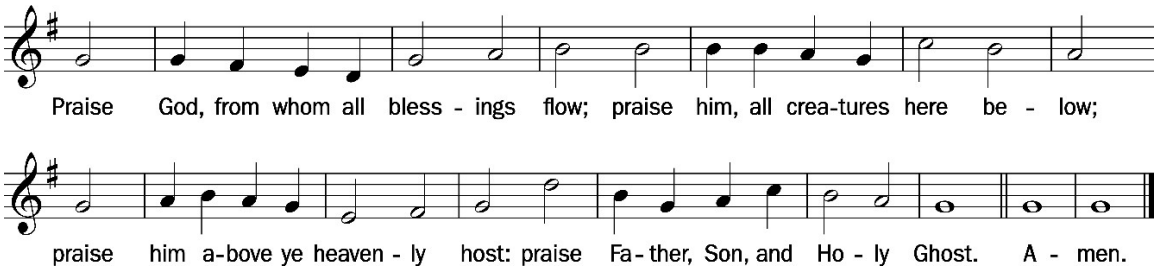
When the fear of loneliness is looming,
Then remember I am at your side.
When you dwell in the exile of a stranger,
Remember you are precious in my eyes.

Refrain

You are mine, O my child,
I am your Father,
And I love you with a perfect love.

Refrain

Presentation Hymn Doxology — *Old Hundredth*



The Great Thanksgiving *(standing)* — BCP 361

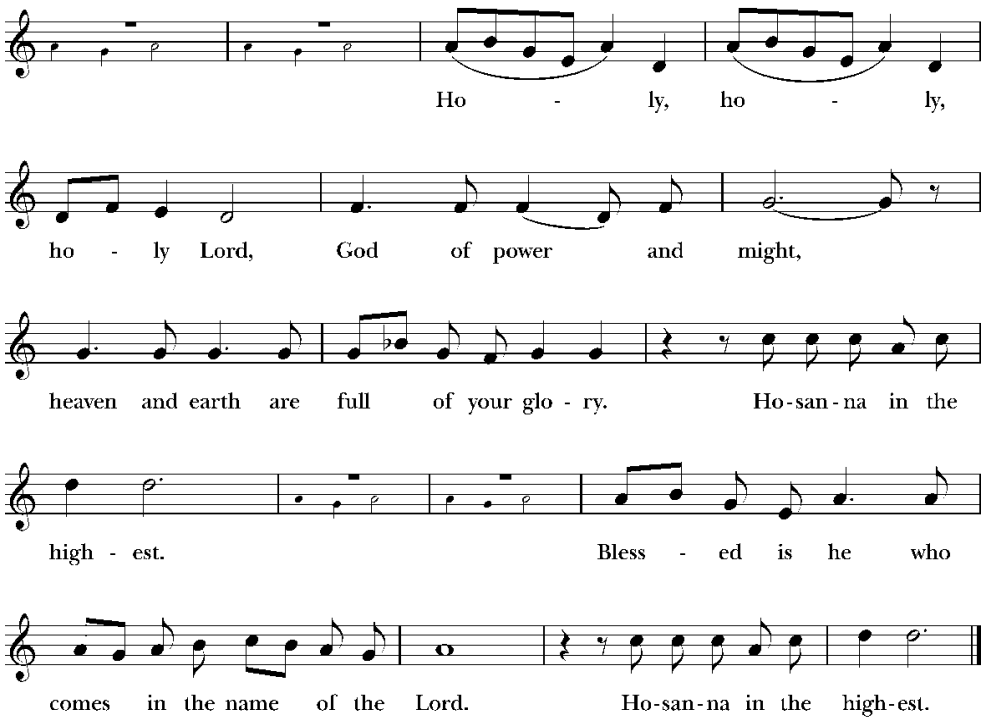
The Celebrant, faces the people and says
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant.

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:

Sanctus S-128 Holy, holy, holy Lord Mathias



The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues,

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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 BCP 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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 BCP 364

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

The Communion

All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Wine is served from a common cup, from which you may drink or intinct. Gluten-free wafers are available at the altar rail.

Communion Motet O Love — Elaine Hagenberg

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thy ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Joy that seeks me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

Communion Hymn 633 Word of God, come down on earth — *Mt. St. Alban NCA*

The Postcommunion Prayer *(kneeling or standing)* BCP 366

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 for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 490 I want to walk as a child of the light — *Houston*

The Dismissal BCP 366

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude Trumpet Tune in G-flat — David N. Johnson

The altar flowers are given by the Anderson family to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Jane Coulter and her family.

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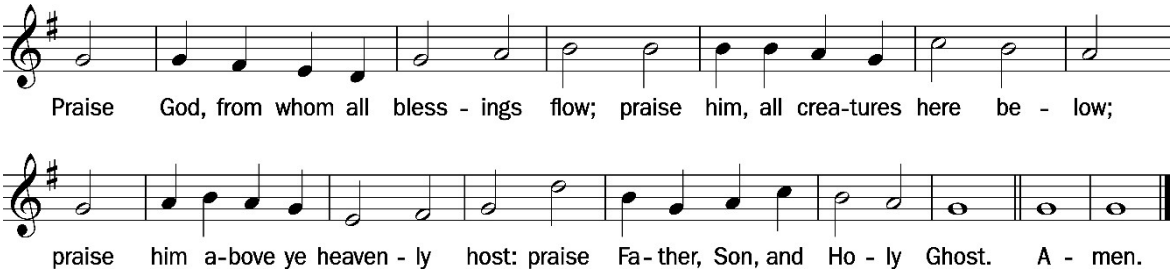
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Offertory

Offertory Hymn LEVAS *(Lift Every Voice and Sing)* 126 Hark! The Voice of Jesus calling

Presentation Hymn Doxology *Old Hundredth*



The Great Thanksgiving *(standing)* BCP 361

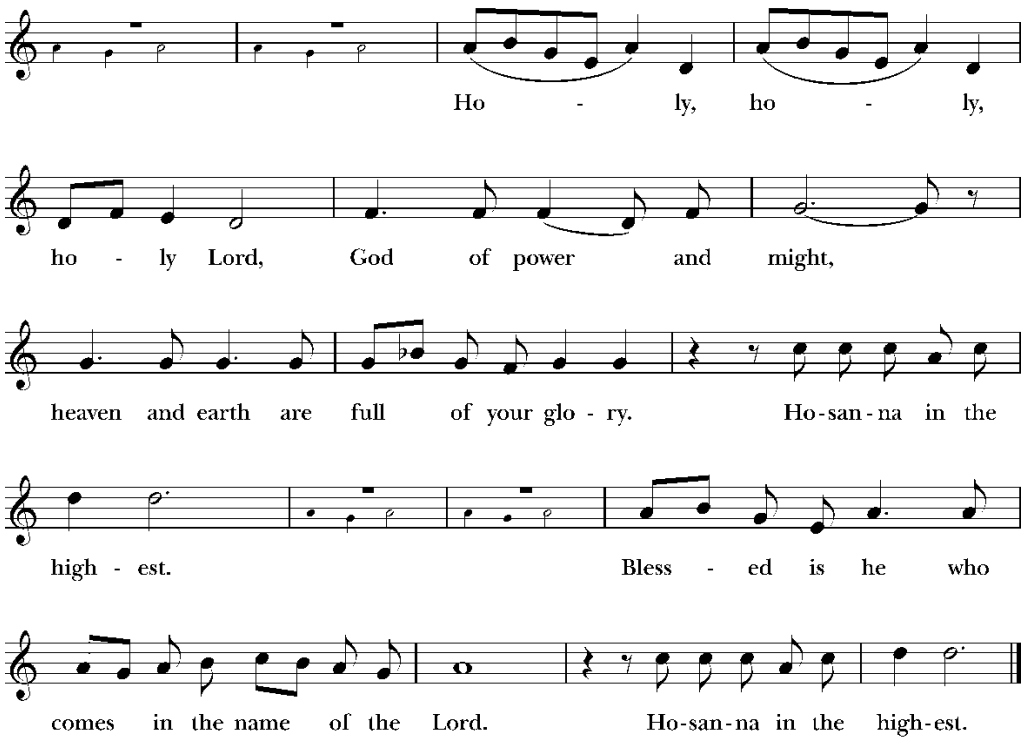
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People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant.

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:

Sanctus S-128 Holy, holy, holy Lord Mathias



The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues,

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.
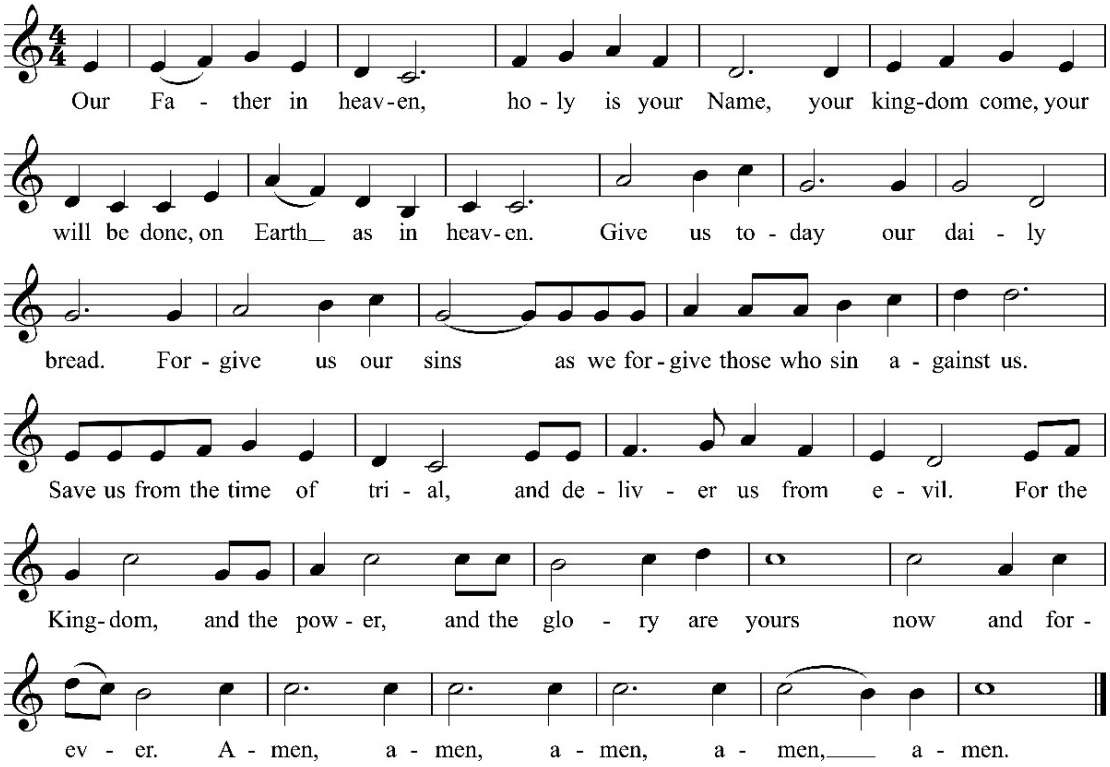
On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of 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.

The Celebrant continues

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 Tom Belt



The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

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

The Communion

All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Wine is served from a common cup, from which you may drink or intinct. Gluten-free wafers are available at the altar rail.

Communion Hymn TFWS *(The Faith We Sing)* 2266 Here is bread, here is wine

The Postcommunion Prayer *(kneeling or standing)* BCP 366

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 for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 490 I want to walk as a child of the light *Houston*

The Dismissal BCP 366

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The altar flowers are given by the Anderson family to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Jane Coulter and her family.

Today at Christ Church

Life in Christ Series: Rooted in Prayer: The Prayer Jesus Prayed | Sunday, November 15 | 10 - 10:50 am | All Saints' Hall - What can we learn about prayer from Jesus' own practices? Warren Smith, Professor of Historical Theology at Duke Divinity School, will help us explore this important question. Small groups are offered for further study. Details and small group information: christchurchcharlotte.org/life-in-christ.

Soul Care 101 | 10- 10:50 am | The Center for Wellbeing & Care Waiting Area - This one-hour workshop provides the foundation for understanding the spiritual life and equips participants with tools to nurture their faith through accessible spiritual practices. Facilitated by Alice DeVries and The Reverend Connor Gwin. Details: christchurchcharlotte.org/soul-care-101.

Weekly Word Bible Study | 10 - 10:50 am | M206 - Gather with other adults to discuss scripture that mirrors the Children's Sunday School lessons, allowing for continued conversation throughout the week. No registration; join us when you can.

Sunday Brunch | 11 am - 1 pm | Blue Room - Don't miss Chef Andrea's famous brunch! $14 adults; $12 seniors; $9 children ages 4 – 10; $50 max per family. No reservations necessary. Volunteers are needed and eat free! Details & volunteer signup: christchurchcharlotte.org/sunday-brunch-buffet.

Children & Youth
Sunday Nursery Care | 8:30 am - 12:30 pm | Nursery Suites
Children's Sunday School | 10 - 10:50 am | Various Classrooms
Middle School Sunday School | 10 - 10:50 am | Youth Center
8th Grade Confirmation| 10 - 10:50 am | St. Francis A

Family Faith Talk | Sunday, November 15 | 6 - 7:30 pm | All Saints Hall - Enjoy dinner and an engaging workshop where Dr. Emily Ciepcielinski and Dr. Emma Kate Reif explore how our nervous systems shape the way we understand ourselves and relate to others. Learn practical skills for emotional regulation and building stronger connections. Registration is required.

Annual Stewardship Campaign 2027

Help us faithfully plan for next year by sharing your intentions.

Ways to Make Your 2027 Pledge

- Online at christchurchcharlotte.org/pledge →
- Drop a physical card in the offering plate.

Planning to pledge later or unable to pledge this year? Scan the **Response Form** QR code → so we can care for you well and plan wisely.

Give Online

Make a Gift
To give to Christ Church, including payments on your 2026 or 2027 pledge, visit christchurchcharlotte.org/give.

Questions? Contact Danielle DeNise at denised@christchurchcharlotte.org.

What Else is Going On?

All the details about what's happening at Christ Church this week and beyond can be found in the weekly *News & Notices* publication.

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