SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

July 9, 2023 10:00am (Recorded for later viewing)



We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. For ease of use, this bulletin contains most portions of the liturgy. Scripture texts are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary. We use the red Book of Common Prayer, the blue 1982 Hymnal, and the Lift Every Voice & Sing II hymnal, all located in the pew racks.

In the time before our worship begins, please be mindful of those who need this time for quiet prayer and meditation.

Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly. May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.

The mission of Christ Church Episcopal is to live, love, and serve boldly together in the name of Jesus Christ.

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Fantasia Brad Phillips, Organist Johann Pachelbel

Processional Hymn

Old 124th We will extol you, ever blessed Lord Hymnal #404

Opening Acclamation

PresiderBlessed be the one, holy, and living God.PeopleGlory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant says

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.

Hymn of Praise

Hymn to Joy Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymnal #376

Presider	God be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she

also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People Thanks be to God.

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;

for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

Sequence Hymn

Down Ampney Come down, O Love divine Hymnal #516 verses 1 & 2

Holy Gospel

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

Jesus said, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

Concluding Sequence Hymn

Down Ampney Come down, O Love divine Hymnal #516 verse 3

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Elizabeth H. Hendrick

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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively. Blessed are you, eternal God, To be praised and glorified forever.

Hear our prayers that we send heavenward this day, for the church and for the world. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

We praise you for our many blessings, offered to you now either silently or aloud. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

Look with your kindness on our homes and families, especially our parish members that we pray for this day:

Linda Burton; Cliff & Angela Campbell; Myrna Campbell-Kelly; Cathy Canfield & Don Staples; and for those who serve in the Armed Forces: Jeff, Daniel, and Andrew. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

Make us alive to those in need. We pray for the parish and school of St. Joseph of Arimathea in Haiti, and their rector, Père Markendy, the Neighborhood Co-Op, Rainbow Village, our Thrift Shop volunteers, our Stephen Ministers and those for whom they care, and other ministries which we remember this day. God of love,

Accept our prayer.

We pray for our leaders in the church, especially Rob, Liz, and Mimi, our vestry, staff, search committee, and forum chairs. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

We pray for our leaders in this country, especially Joseph, our president, Brian, our governor, Nicole, our county chair, and Craig, mayor of the City of Norcross. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble. We pray for those who have asked for prayers, especially Mike, Jack, Sara Jean, Heather, John, Mellie, Jenny, Debanhi, Dick, Nancy, Judy & Richard, Laura, Graham, Chuck, Lance, Barbara, and Val. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

We remember those who have died, especially Elizabeth C. "Busy" Belden, whose celebration of life is scheduled for tomorrow. God of love, *Accept our prayer.*

Presider

Praise to you, abundant God, for when we ask, you give; when we seek, you show the way. When we knock, you answer. Praise to you for your unfailing grace. Make us now your faithful people. *Amen*.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Absolution

God forgives you. Forgive yourself. Forgive others. Amen.

All stand.

Peace

PresiderThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

Announcements

Mission of Mercy Recipient

The Mission of Mercy recipient for July is the parish and school of St. Joseph's of Arimathea, in Jasmin, Haiti.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

As we prepare for Holy Communion let us listen attentively with an open heart to the music of the anthem.

We have gluten free communion wafers available for anyone who requests them. Please ask the priest for them when you are at the altar rail.

Offertory Anthem

He Waits for You

Bradley Phillips

Hymnal #414

Presentation Hymn

Stuttgart God, my King, thy might confessing

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

The people remain standing.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Great Thanksgiving

from Enriching Our Worship

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

PresiderLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Presider and People

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Hymnal #S-125

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

People and Presider

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.

Fraction

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation

The Celebrant says

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.

Communion Hymn

Slane Lord of all hopefulness Hymnal #482

Let us pray.

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. *Amen.* (source: Celtic)

Postcommunion Hymn

Hyfrydol Love divine, all loves excelling Hymnal #657

Dismissal

Postlude

Prelude & Fugue in F Brad Phillips, Organist Johann Sebastian Bach

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Tithing is an act of financial fasting. Stewardship Quote



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Prayers for Members of Our Parish

Mike Breedlove, Jack Brocksmith, Sara Jean Davies, Heather Emery, John Emery, Mellie Fitten, Jenny Ham, Debanhi Hernandez, Dick Kohlhausen, Nancy Maxwell, Judy & Richard Moore, Laura Nurse, Graham Perrins, Chuck Seeliger, Lance Wenger, Barbara Wessel, and Val Wilson.

Prayers for the Soul of the Repose

Elizabeth C. "Busy" Belden.

Prayers for Members of our Military

Jeff Jennings, Daniel O'Keefe, and Andrew Pridgen.

Prayers for Friends and Family

Jane & John Atkinson, Elaine Black, Paxton Boyd, Catherine Brack, Irene Brown, Brad Burns, Sophia Crawford, Bill & Debbie Crenshaw, Ralph Donnangelo, Will Drummond, Fran Dunning-Webb, The Rev. Andrew Frearson, Diane Hill, Robin Hippel, Martha Gilbert Holmes, Betty Ann Hudgins, Lynn Catherine Jester, Eileen Kelly, Vicki, Alice, & Gino Lee, Val McCall, Kathleen McCarron, Barbara McCoy, Bill McMillan, Martin McRoberts, James Marshall, John Mocharski, Nancy Mortimer, Judy Strickland Myers, Anita Oliver, Bonnie Pitman, Wesley Post, Gary & Cindy Russell, Tom Shaw, Andrew Thompson, Pete Van Zant, Lindsey Wengenroth, Noah Withrow, and Catherine Wright.

Please call 770/447-1166 or e-mail the church office at office@ccnorcross.org_to add or remove names from the prayer list.

TIME-SENSITIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please read This Week At Christ Church or watch TWACCation on Facebook for announcements.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BUSY BELDEN

The Memorial Service for Busy Belden will take place tomorrow, <u>Monday</u>, <u>July 10, 2023, at 1:00pm</u>. After interment in the Memorial Garden, a reception will be held in Webster Hall.

SUMMER FUN DAY AT NCM

We are leading a two-hour day with the children of Neighborhood Cooperative Ministries on <u>Wednesday, July 12, 2023</u> from 10am until 12 noon. This will include a Bible story, art project, outdoor games, lunch, and one-on-one reading time. Volunteers needed to help. Please contact Karen Bass or see the article in TWACC.

BOOK BAGS FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR CONGREGATION

Many of the children in our congregation could use some help before school starts. Just sign up to help <u>one or more</u> students by purchasing a book bag and supplies. We will be giving out the names on June 25th, July 2nd, 9th and 16th. Book bags and supplies need to be delivered to the church by Wednesday, July 26th. The bags can be placed in the breezeway. The student's name, grade and school will be given along with a list of supplies for the grade of your student. If you cannot find everything, that is fine. Then attach the name to the book bag and bring it to church. Remember, these children are members of Christ Church and they need our help. Please join in this effort. If you will not be in church on the dates we are giving out names and you would like to participate, please email or text Nicki DeVillier. I will send you a name and school supply list. 404-626-7141 or <u>devillier44@bellsouth.net</u>

FLOWER DEDICATIONS & DONATIONS NEEDED

If you would like to make an altar flower dedication in thanksgiving for, or in memory of, someone, either go to this link on the website <u>Online Altar Flower Donation Forms</u> or send an email to Beth Holland at <u>office@ccnorcross.org</u> before 12 noon on any Wednesday afternoon for the Sunday you wish to make a dedication. Due to the increase of flowers over the last year, we are requesting a minimum donation of \$75; however, if you unable to make that commitment, any amount will suffice. We are grateful for your help in adorning the altar each Sunday. Thank you.

SUMMER 2023 WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE JUNE 4, 2023 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Morning Prayer will be led by the Laity at 8:30am in the Nave. One Anglo Eucharist service at 10am. One Hispanic service at 12pm. August 6th the Diocese will be hosting/recording the bilingual "Imagine Church" at 1pm. September 10th at 10am will be a bilingual service, followed by our Annual Parish Picnic and games. Stay tuned for more information from Parish Life. Wednesday Healing & Eucharist service will be at 12 noon on August 2nd, to coincide with PrimeTimers' Lunch.

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Liturgical Participants for 10:00am service on July 9, 2023

Preacher/Presider	The Rev. Canon Elizabeth H. Hendrick
Acolytes	. Brian Maruscsak, Caden Neese, McKenzie Wortman
Altar Guild	Cathy Canfield, Joyce Proctor
AV Team	John Haeger, Dwalu Tay
Eucharistic Ministers	Brian Maruscsak, Lori Landis
Greeters/Ushers	Robert Richardson
Guest Organist	Brad Phillips
	Mary An Fair, Robert Richardson

Liturgical Participants for 10:00am service on July 16, 2023

Preacher/Presider	The Rev. Irma N. Guerra
Acolytes	
Altar Guild	Ange Justice, Ann Post
AV Team	John Haeger, Dwalu Tay
Eucharistic Ministers	Jenny Ham, Ann Post
Greeters/Ushers	Carla Johnson, Gayle Morris, Stephanie Usher
Lector	McKenzie Wortman
	Afiong Ekong

Liturgical Participants for 10:00am service on July 23, 2023

Preacher/Presider	The Rev. Irma N. Guerra
Acolytes	
Altar Guild	
AV Team	John Haeger, Dwalu Tay
Eucharistic Ministers	Angela Becker, Lori Landis
Greeters/Ushers	
Guest Organist	Robert H. Danes, PhD
Lector	Betsy Pickren
Vestry of the Day	Diane Cunningham

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