

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 7, 2018



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10:00 AM

**Christ Episcopal Church**

**Montpelier, VT**

**Christ Church is a Christian faith community that welcomes all, worships together, transforms lives, and engages in God's work in greater Montpelier and beyond.**

## The Holy Eucharist – Rite II – 10:00 am

*Worship in the Episcopal Church involves body mind and spirit. We stand to praise and pray. We sit to listen and learn. We sometimes kneel in silent meditation. No matter which prayer posture you choose, we want you to feel comfortable in your own style of worship here at Christ Episcopal Church.*

Prelude: “Amazing Grace”

arr. David Simpson

Processional Hymn: #405, “All things bright and beautiful”

Salutation and response

BCP 355

Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**And Blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

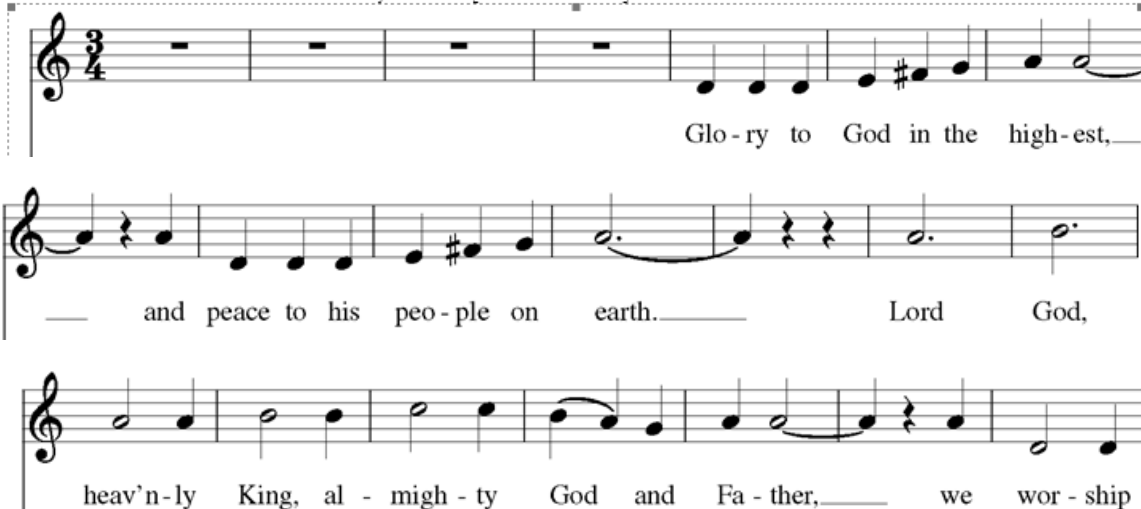
Collect for Purity

**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

Rutter

Wonder Love and Praise - #900 Glory to God [*Gloria in excelsis*]/Canticle 20



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —  
— and peace to his peo - ple on earth. — Lord God,  
heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, — we wor - ship

you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. —

(♩ = ♩. of preceding – same beat as before, > not slower)

Lord Je-sus Christ, — on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, —

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world: — have mer-cy on us; — you are seat-ed at the right

hand of the Fa-ther: — re-ceive our prayer. — For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, — you a-lone are the

Lord, — you a-lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. \_\_\_\_\_

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; 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.*

## The Word of God

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

22:13-16

Psalm 148:7-14

Sing to the LORD a new song!

Praise the LORD from the earth,  
 you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog,  
 tempestuous wind, doing his will;  
 Mountains and all hills,  
 fruit trees and all cedars;  
 Wild beasts and all cattle,  
 creeping things and wingèd birds;                      Antiphon  
 Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
 princes and all rulers of the world;  
 Young men and maidens,  
 old and young together.                                      Antiphon  
 Let them praise the Name of the LORD,  
 for his Name only is exalted,  
 his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
 He has raised up strength for his people  
 and praise for all his loyal servants,  
 the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
 Hallelujah!    Antiphon

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians                                      6:14-18

Sequence Hymn: #490, *"I want to walk as a child of the light"*                      verses 1&2  
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The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew                                      11:25-30  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

Sequence Hymn: #490, *"I want to walk as a child of the light"*                      verses 3

The Sermon    Rev. Lee Ferry

The Nicene Creed    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

Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit: give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Today we pray for: Ernest, Charlotte, Mary Helen, Evan, Maria, Mary Irish, Ginny, Pat, and for those whom you wish to name either silently or aloud.

*(After a brief silence, the leader and people respond.)*

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For those who rest in Christ, especially Ann Nelson, for all the dead, and for those persons you wish to remember either silently or aloud.

*(After a brief silence, the leader and people respond.)*

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

And in conclusion, let us together pray the prayer to end homelessness.

**An open door,**

**A roof above,**

**Safe homes for all,**

**In the power of love.**

The Concluding Collect

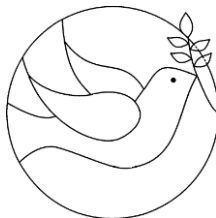
The Blessing of the Animals

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*We encourage you to offer your neighbor a sign of peace!*



# The Holy Communion

*All are welcome to receive communion at our Lord's table!  
In addition to traditional consecrated bread and wine, consecrated gluten  
free hosts and grape juice are available upon request.*

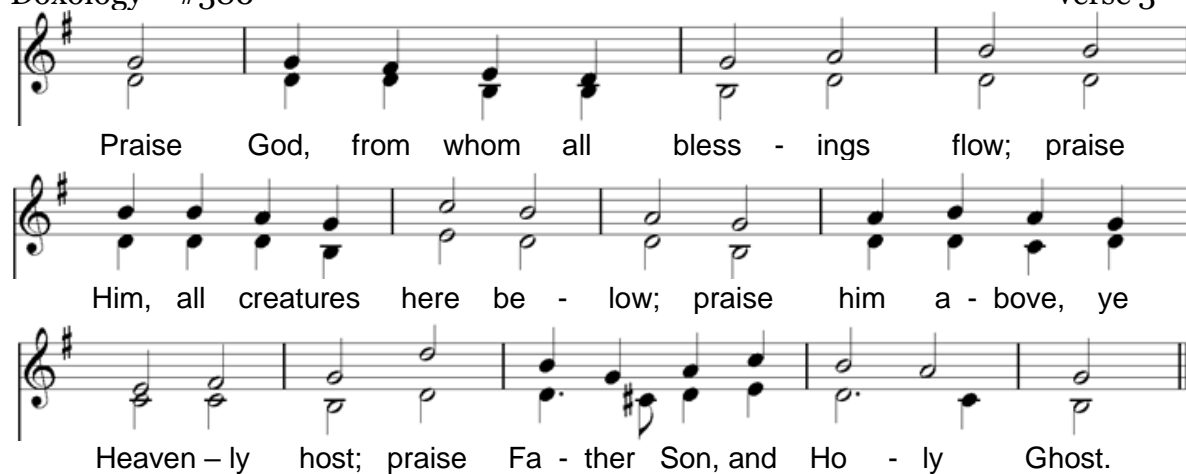
## The Offertory

Offertory Anthem: "Africa"

William Billings

Doxology - #380

verse 3



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
Him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
Heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 369

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**



At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus:

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, \_\_\_\_\_ hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na  
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
 in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

**Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

**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



Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace. give us your peace.

The image shows a musical score for the Fraction Anthem 'Jesus, Lamb of God' (Agnus Dei). It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace. give us your peace.' The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with a soprano line and a bass line.

Distribution of Communion

Communion Anthem: *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”*

Healey Willan

Communion Hymn: #529, *“In Christ there is no East or West”*

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

**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.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #554, *“Tis the gift to be simple”*

The Dismissal

Postlude: Athol Highlanders

A special thank you to our musician this morning  
Susan Raid, Sarah Blair and David Simpson

***Welcome!***

***Thank you for worshipping with us today!***

*Our Lay Eucharistic Minister this morning is Ellen McCulloch-Lovell.*

*Our Lectors this morning are the Jody Pettersen and Willem Lange.*

*Christ Episcopal Church's team of preachers reflects a variety of styles by bringing the Word of God to life in unique and relevant ways.*

**Christ Church Staff and Leadership**

Paul Habersang, *Priest-in-Partnership*

Beth Ann Maier, *Regional Deacon*

Lynnette Combs, *Organist and Choirmaster*

Bruce Story, *Senior Warden*

Ted Long, *Junior Warden*

Denise Womer, *Youth and Families Director*

Kathy Preis, *Administrator*

**Vestry**

Class of 2018

Josh Fitzhugh

Liz Slayton

Ted Long

Class of 2019

Bruce Story

David Blythe

Joan Murray

Class of 2020

Diane Holland

Sarah Hofmann

Shawn Bryan

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Finance Committee Meeting:** On Monday, October 8, 2018 at 6:30PM there will be a meeting of the Finance Committee in the administrative offices.

**Worship Committee Meeting:** On Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:30PM there will be a meeting of the Worship Committee in the administrative offices.

**“Hearts on Fire: Forging the Future of Christ Episcopal Church”** As you know, our capital campaign has been continuing over the course of the summer. ***To date we have received pledges totaling over \$580,000!*** The goal of the campaign is to fully restore our historic sanctuary which needs some serious repair. In addition to the congregational portion of the campaign, we will be asking for pledges from the community that can also be made over a three-year period. A sincere thank you to everyone who has participated in the campaign thus far. Stay tuned for an update from Helen Bryan and Sharon Winn, campaign leaders.

### ***Youth & Family Ministry Updates:***

**Blessings Four Paws Drive:** Youth and Family Ministry will be collecting canned dog and cat food, kitty litter, and various pet supplies for the Central Vermont Humane Society until October 14th. Let's Make this years' "Blessings of the Animals" a time to help God's four legged creatures. Please see the flyer for the list of items we are collecting. For more information about the drive please contact, Denise Womer @ [niecieneew@gmail.com](mailto:niecieneew@gmail.com) or by phone at 603-545-9488. To find out how you can volunteer, adopt, or foster for CVHS please contact Laurie Garrison @ 802-223-3631.

### ***Other Events and Announcements:***

#### **SURVIVOR-CENTERED SACRED SPACE**

If you are a survivor of sexual violence or domestic violence or if you are someone who supports a survivor. You are invited to silent, prayerful, meditative contemplation and rest.

Stories of others' trauma can remind us of our own. It has been a heavy time. You are invited to bring the weight of your stories and lay them down for a moment. You are invited to breathe easier - in a space that is held for you.

WEDNESDAYS in OCTOBER

**10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31**

**5:30-6:30PM**

Christ Episcopal Church

64 State Street

Montpelier

This space is non-denominational and interfaith. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Rev. Auburn Watersong

**“Bridges out of Poverty”** On October 13, 2018 from 8:30AM-3:30PM at Trinity Church, Montpelier, the Montpelier Food Pantry will sponsor a training designed to provide a new and clearer understanding of poverty. Topics will include: understanding economic class, causes of poverty, building resources to move out of poverty, community strategies to address poverty in workplaces, families and human service systems. For more information, please contact Joseph Kiefer @ [josephkiefer53@gmail.com](mailto:josephkiefer53@gmail.com) to inquire or RSVP your attendance.

**Tuesday Eucharist’s at 5:30PM:** On Tuesday evenings into the fall, we will continue celebrating informal evening Eucharist’s in the chapel. Please feel welcome to stop by after work for a few minutes of contemplation and reflection. All are welcome.

**Christ Church Connections (CCC):** Christ Church Connections is a ministry of mutual caring within this faith community. We promote connections by helping members in health or other challenging personal situations; e.g., through visits, meals, cards, prayers, errands, home Eucharist. For the month of October, if your family or someone you know could use a visit or other kind of support, please contact Jody Pettersen. Jody may be reached via email at: [jodypettersen@gmail.com](mailto:jodypettersen@gmail.com)

**Bee Moulton Flower Fund:** Would you like to dedicate fresh altar flowers to celebrate a milestone or remember a loved one? If so, just contact the office and we can help you select a date that’s best for you.

**Estate Planning?** Is God in your will? If you are thinking about drawing up a will or planning for your future estate settlement, please consider including Christ Church in your will. This is way in which your lasting legacy will help us continue doing God’s work in the neighborhood. Thank you.

**Email Distribution List:** If you would like to be added to our weekly email distribution list, please contact Kathy Preis in our office to add your address to the weekly communications. Thank you.

**Office Hours:** Kathy Preis, our Administrator is in the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00AM-1:00PM. If you would like to make an appointment with Kathy or with Rev. Paul, please contact the office by phone or via email: [administrator@christchurchvt.org](mailto:administrator@christchurchvt.org). Thank you!

## **The Missions & Ministries of Christ Episcopal Church, Montpelier**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Liz Slayton (802-229-0164)
<b>Choir/Music</b>	Lynnette Combs (802-371-5066)
<b>Christ Church Connections</b>	Rev. Beth Ann Maier (802-793-4234)
<b>Communications Team</b>	Kathy Preis (802-522-8219)
<b>Diocesan Representatives</b>	Maggie Thompson (802-454-4635) Deb Barnwell (802-476-7859)
<b>Discretionary Fund for Community Outreach</b>	Virginia Catone (802-229-9898)
<b>Fellowship Ministry</b>	Stephen Dale (802-229-4686)
<b>Finance Committee</b>	John Jaworski (802-476-4942)
<b>Food Shelf</b>	Sharon Wilson (802-244-8037)
<b>Full Ladle Soup Kitchen</b>	Sharon Wilson (802-244-8037)
<b>Hospitality Committee</b>	Aldora Chamberlin (802-461-5527)
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers/Chalice Bearers/Lectors</b>	Steamer Walke (802-223-3632)
<b>Prayer Chain</b>	Rev. Beth Ann Maier (802-793-4234)
<b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b>	Maggie Thompson (802-454-4635) Rilla Murray (802-272-2663)
<b>Social Justice Committee</b>	Marty Roberts (802-223-5506)
<b>Stewardship Committee</b>	Bruce Story (802-225-6343)
<b>Sudan Communion</b>	Deb Jerard (802-223-0531) Martha Holden (802-229-9036)
<b>Youth and Families Ministry</b>	Denise Womer (603-545-9488)
<b>Vestry (elected leadership team)</b>	Bruce Story (802-225-6343)
<b>Usher/Greeter Ministry</b>	Jody Pettersen (802-522-6171)
<b>Worship Committee</b>	Rev. Paul Habersang (802- 223-3631)

*Would you like to get involved or learn more about these ministries? If so, please contact the persons listed so you can become active in our ministries.*