



23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday October 27, 2024 (10 am)

The Rt. Reverend Anne B. Jolly, Bishop of Ohio

The Reverend Tom Furrer, Interim Rector

James W. Shiell, Director of Music

Paul W. Keriotis, Director of Spiritual Formation

Prelude

Suite Gothique (Opus 25) – Leon Boellmann
I. Introduction II. Menuet

AT THE PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR

The People stand for the Processional Hymn and remain standing through the Collect of the Day

Processional Hymn No. 410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven – *Lauda anima*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says the 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.**

Song of Praise

O God beyond all praising

Thaxted

O__ God be-yond all prais - ing, we wor-ship you to - day and sing the love a -
ma - zing that songs can-not re - pay; for we can on-ly won-der at__ ev - 'ry gift you
send, at__ bless-ings with-out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end: we lift our hearts be -
fore you and wait up-on your word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might-y Lord.

Collect of the Day

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

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O LORD, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and
those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Psalm 126 [*sung by the choir*]

In convertendo

- 1 **W**hen the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn No. 671 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound – *New Britain*

The Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

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

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Tom Furrer

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able and together say

**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 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 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

Please stand or kneel

Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the need of our neighbors.

A brief silence

God of life, your words are the joy at the heart of your church. Draw the seeker to you, place messages of hope and healing in the mouths of your witnesses, and open your children to your truth when we stumble. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of steadfast love, renew the earth by your Spirit, that lands and oceans reveal the beauty of your creation. Challenge us to live humbly and peaceably as part of your world. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of patience, lead those who govern to hold fast to what is good. Guide them to show honor to the people in their care. Overcome evil in all nations and grant peace to people and place mired in conflict, especially Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, Sudan, and the famine in East Africa. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of deliverance, remember all who are suffering, lonely, and facing illness. For those strained financially; for all living with chronic pain, mental illness, the disease of addiction or otherwise or in harm's way. Be with all who are in need, especially... Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of hope, equip our congregation to boldly follow you. Show us how best to love and care for one another and this community. Bless us with mutual trust and respect, courage, and foresight as you lead us to follow you. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of glory, we give thanks for the saints who now dwell with you in splendor (especially...). Nurture us in faith until the day we join in their heavenly song. Merciful God

receive our prayer.

Prayer for our Rector Search (*in unison*)

O God, giver of all good gifts, look graciously upon Christ Episcopal Church as we seek our next rector to shepherd our parish family. Send your Holy Spirit to guide the Search Committee and Vestry that they may discern your will. Give them wisdom, patience, and open hearts as they consider candidates. Lead us to a faithful pastor who will preach your Word with truth, care for your people with love, and equip us for the work of ministry. Grant that Christ Church may receive a rector who will serve Us and lead us closer to You through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Offertory Anthem: O Love – Elaine Hagenberg

Offertory Response: Praise God from whom all blessings flow – *Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
 Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
 O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Celebrant: All things come from thee, O Lord
People: and of thine own have we given thee.

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er, God of
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, Blest is the One who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 highest, Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

The people stand or kneel.

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,

Celebrant and People

**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.**

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, forever and ever. AMEN.*

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S-154

Alleluia! Christ our Passover

setting: David Hurd

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;**

therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

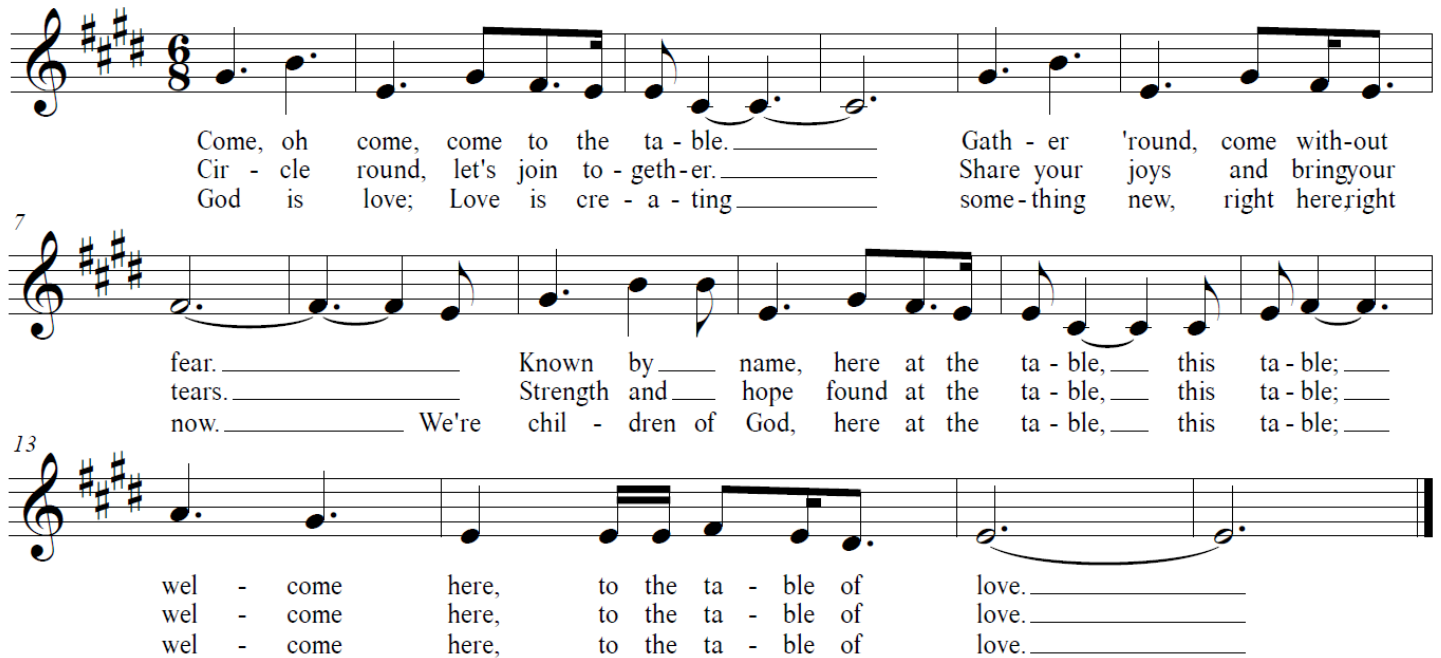
The Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome and invited to come to the altar rail for communion. Or, if you would like communion brought to your pew, please inform an usher. The bread may be consumed and a sip taken from the common cup, or the bread may be held and dipped or intincted in the common cup **or** if you would simply like a blessing, please cross your arms on your chest and the priest will make the sign of the Cross on your forehead.

Hymn at the Distribution

The Open Table

Mark Miller



Come, oh come, come to the ta - ble. Gath - er 'round, come with-out
Cir - cle round, let's join to - geth-er. Share your joys and bring your
God is love; Love is cre - a - ting some - thing new, right here right
7
fear. Known by name, here at the ta - ble, this ta - ble;
tears. Strength and hope found at the ta - ble, this ta - ble;
now. We're chil - dren of God, here at the ta - ble, this ta - ble;
13
wel - come here, to the ta - ble of love.
wel - come here, to the ta - ble of love.
wel - come here, to the ta - ble of love.

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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn No. 535 Ye servants of God, you Master proclaim – Paderborn

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Suite Gothique (Opus 25) – Boellmann
IV. Toccata

Assisting with our Worship at 10 am:

The Parish Choir, Laurie Jones - Piano
Janet Schweitzer–Lector Fred Schweitzer– Lector/Chalice
Faith Scarmuzzi – Prayers of the People and Chalice
Kathy Hughes & Jean Schlecht- Greeters Sandy Schlecht – Name Tags
Don Senne & Steve Watts – Ushers
Pat Sullivan & Al Novak - Bakers
Deb Clary & Becky Watts - Altar Guild
Deb Murphy & Don Scarmuzzi – AV/Video

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH! We are happy to have you worship with us today! If you are a visitor or would like to know more about the life, work, and ministry of Christ Church, please fill out a “Connect Card” in the pew rack. You can drop the completed card in the offering plate or give it to a member of our staff, an usher, or a Vestry member following the service. We are glad you are here!

LINCOLN SCHOOLS: There are more children in need. It seems like more than other years. The kids need book bags and regular school supplies, crayons, glue sticks, pencils.

We also continue to need mac n cheese cups, spaghetti cups, fruit cups, and rice Krispie treats. These items go into the Happy bags that we pack for the school.

Your help is so appreciated, and so needed. God Bless you for all you do.



This is The Christ Church Bag Ladies. They are responsible for the packaging of the Happy Bags for Lincoln Schools. Every week they come into the church and pack between 50 & 100 Happy Bags for the students at Lincoln schools.

If you are able to contribute from the items listed please bring them to the church. If you are not a shopper and would like to give monetarily, you can do that also. The ladies are more than happy to shop for you.

Every little bit helps.

Thank you to all who contribute, and thank you to Carson Buydos, Judy Rich, and Linda Day for the care you take in helping the students.

ADULT HAT AND GLOVE DRIVE: In December, The Gladd's, and The Henrey's are going to serve in the soup kitchen at St. John's in Youngstown. The last couple of years they have given out stocking hats and gloves along with the meal. They would like to do it again this year. Between now and November 15th, please purchase a hat &/or gloves. Bring them to the church and give them to the office. Tiffany will make sure that Joe gets them. Walmart, Tractor Supply, Family Farm, Dollar General, Ollies etc...all have reasonable prices. Joe says God Bless and thank you.



For the New Bishop of the United States

SEARCH COMMITTEE

If you have thoughts to share with our Rector Search Committee, please write an email and send to: ChristChurchSearch44483@gmail.com. They would love to hear from you.

ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY

If you would like the name of a loved one who has passed away this year read in the necrology on All Saint's Sunday (Nov.5), please contact the church office or place the person's name on a piece of paper in the offering plate.

COMPLINE FOR ALL SOUL'S DAY will be held Sunday, November 3 at 7 pm. This ancient liturgy will remember those who are no longer with us. The church will be lighted with hundreds of candles which alone, will dispel the darkness. Attendees are invited to bring photos of friends and loved ones who have passed and place them on tables in the front of the church. Candles will be lit to illumine each photo. The men of the parish choir will sing chants and Susanna Reilly will play selections for solo cello.

DINNER & A MOVIE WITH JESUS: This Wednesday, October 30th is our 4th Dinner & a Movie with Jesus. Please make plans to come at 5:30. Enjoy some Pizza & Salad, then we will all watch “The Chosen”. This will be a fun evening with friends and family. If you plan on coming, and have not yet signed up, please sign up at the back of the church, email secretary@christchurchwarren.org or call the office at 330-372-4998. Let us know how many are coming. **You know The Chosen at Christ Church is COMMERCIAL FREE. That alone is worth coming for, but when you add the fellowship, the movie and a meal, it’s a slice of Heaven!** God Bless.

STEWARDSHIP LUNCHEON: Today, after church we will have our annual stewardship luncheon. Please plan on attending. Bring with you any questions and an open heart.

THE WEEKLY WORKINGS AT CHRIST CHURCH

Monday Oct. 28	Boy Scouts 6 PM Office Open 9 AM – 2 PM	Parish Hall
Tuesday Oct. 29	AA Meeting 6 PM Office Open 9 AM – 2 PM	Parish Hall
Wednesday Oct. 30	10:00 AM “Growing Deeper” Bible Study, Prayer, & Fellowship 12 PM Deadline to submit Bulletin Announcements Office Open 9 AM – 2 PM Dinner & a Movie with Jesus 5:30 PM	Chapel Office Parish Hall
Thursday Oct. 31	Handbell Choir Practice 6 PM Choir Practice 7 PM Cub Scouts 6 PM Office Open 9 AM – 2 PM	Handbell Room Choir Room Parish Hall
Friday Nov. 1	Office Closed	
Saturday Nov. 2	Office Closed	
Sunday Nov. 3	8 AM Holy Eucharist 10 AM Holy Eucharist Compline for ALL SOUL’S DAY 7:00 PM	Chapel Main Sanctuary Main Sanctuary



Take a moment to view God’s work in our surroundings. Take a drive and enjoy the view.