

The background of the entire image is a dense, overlapping layer of autumn leaves. The leaves are primarily maple-shaped, with a variety of colors including bright yellow, orange, and deep red. Some leaves show signs of aging, with small holes and slightly worn edges. The lighting is soft, highlighting the intricate vein patterns on the leaf surfaces.

# Fall HOMECOMING

SEPTEMBER 7 AT 10 AM





## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

VOLUNTARY

ADAGIO, FROM *SYMPHONY No. 5, Op. 42*

*Charles-Marie Widor*  
(1844-1937)

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Reverend Andrew Van Culin

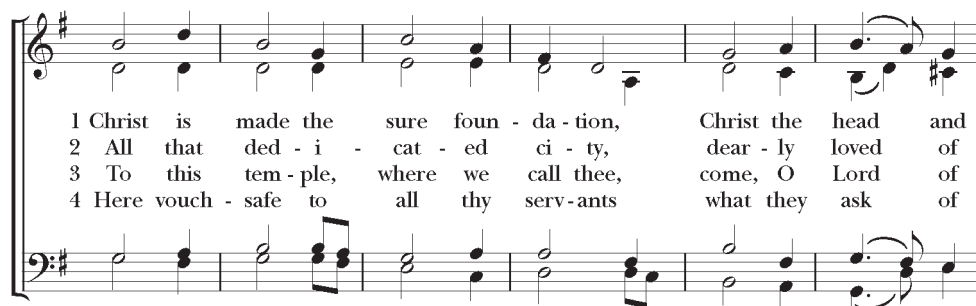
## THE ENTRANCE RITE

*The people stand.*

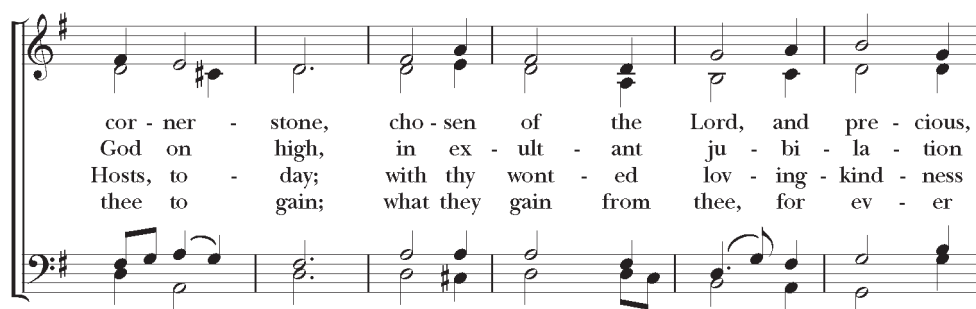
HYMN 518

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION

*Westminster Abbey*



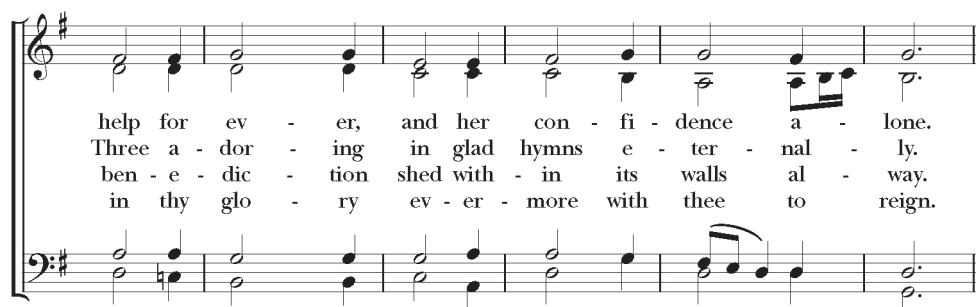
1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er



bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter



help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*



## People



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.

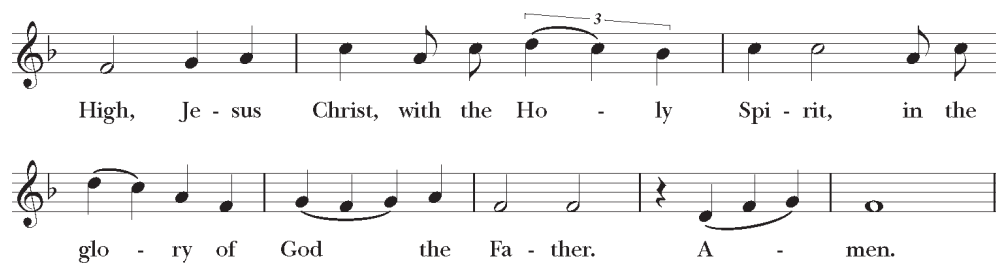
## People

**Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO - S 280**

*The children follow the Children's Cross to the Chancel steps during the Gloria.*

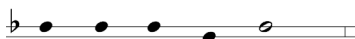




## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.



*People* And al - so with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Celebrant dismisses the children to Children's Chapel, and the people respond Amen.*

*The people are seated for the reading and the Psalm.*

### THE READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 47

Clap your hands, all you peoples; \*

**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

For the LORD Most High is to be feared; \*

**he is the great King over all the earth.**

He subdues the peoples under us, \*

**and the nations under our feet.**

He chooses our inheritance for us, \*

**the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

God has gone up with a shout, \*

**the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.**

Sing praises to God, sing praises; \*

**sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

For God is King of all the earth; \*

**sing praises with all your skill.**

God reigns over the nations; \*

**God sits upon his holy throne.**

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \*

**with the people of the God of Abraham.**

The rulers of the earth belong to God, \*

**and he is highly exalted.**

*The people stand for the hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.*

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his  
 2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and  
 3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -  
 4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,  
 al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us  
 vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels  
 I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - every birth, to draw an an - swering love.  
 as his friends and loves us as we are.  
 but a face, a per - son, and a name.  
 cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-53

*Gospeller*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

*A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.  
The people stand.*

THE 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:  
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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor* For the Church of God, for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Bonnie, our Bishop,  
for all who minister in Christ's Church, and for the people of God in every place;  
we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those in positions of public trust, especially the President of the United States,  
our elected officials, and the judiciary, that they may serve justice, and promote  
the dignity and freedom of every person; we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**



For the mission of the Church, for the peace of the world, that we may be faithful witnesses to your love and mercy; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers, and for those on our parish cycle of prayer (*N.*); we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all children and students as they begin this new year, that they may grow in curiosity and wonder to meet the challenges and opportunities of learning; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all parents, educators, and those responsible for the care and nurture of children and young persons, that they may provide sound learning, a zeal for discovery, and the gift of perseverance in the face of changes and challenges of life; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For (*N.*), for the healing of the sick, for the relief of the suffering, and the comfort of all who are close to death, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For refugees, immigrants and all who come to us as strangers that they may know the welcome of Christ; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those expecting babies, and for those who give life to others; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For ourselves, our families and friends, and those we love, and for those who do not know love; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who rest in Christ (*N.*), and for all the dead; we pray to you, O Lord.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our own needs, and those of others;  
*The people may add their own petitions.*

Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes with a collect and the people respond* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.*

*Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray for those in our congregation who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary.

*People* **O God, our times are in your hand:**

**Look with favor, we pray,**

**on your servants as they begin another year.**

**Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace,**

**and strengthen their trust in your goodness**

**all the days of their lives;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE INSTALLATION OF HEAD CHORISTERS AND HEAD ACOLYTE

## THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

## THE OFFERTORY

*The people remain seated while the offering is collected.*

## ANTHEM

I WAS GLAD WHEN THEY SAID UNTO ME

*C. Hubert H. Parry  
(1848-1918)*

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

*Psalms 122:1-3, 6*

*The people stand as the gifts are presented.*

*Children and their parents are invited to follow the children's cross and to sit in the Chancel between the choir stalls. They return to their seats for Communion.*



1 Je - sus, our might - y Lord, our strength in sad - ness, —  
 2 Good shep-herd of your sheep, your own de - fend - ing, —  
 3 Glo - rious their life who sing, with glad thanks-giv - ing, —



the Fa - ther's con - quering Word, true source of glad - ness; —  
 in love your chil - dren keep to life un - end - ing. —  
 true hymns to Christ the King in all their liv - ing: —



your Name we glo - ri - fy, O Je - sus, throned on high;  
 You are your - self the Way: lead us then day by day  
 all who con - fess his Name, come then with hearts a - flame;



you gave your - self to die for our sal - va - tion.  
 in your own steps, we pray, O Lord most ho - ly.  
 the God of peace ac - claim as Lord and Sa - vior.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant*      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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 & BENEDICTUS - S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. \_\_\_\_\_

*The people remain standing.*



*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.

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:

*People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

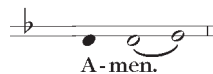
**Christ will come again.**

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.

*People*




## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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.*

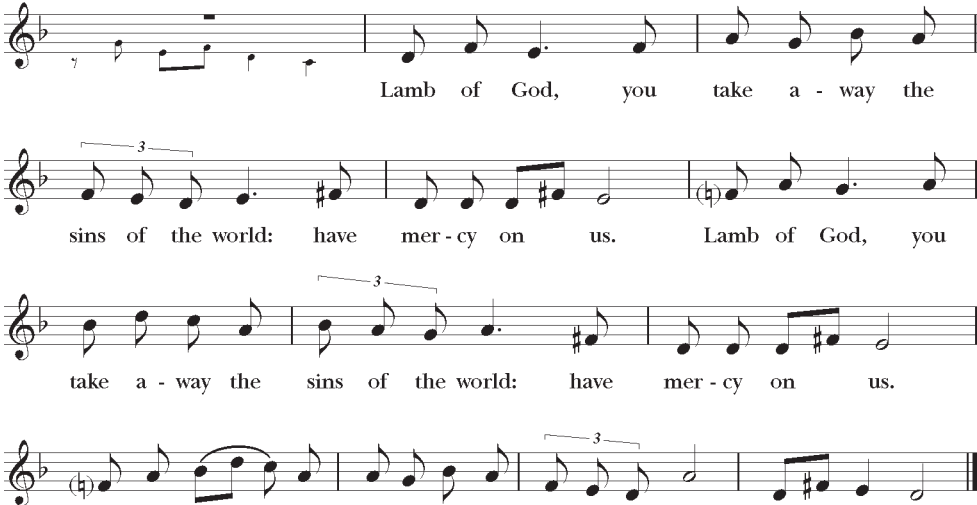
*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

*People*  There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

## THE INVITATION

*To receive Communion, come to a Communion Station at the direction of the ushers. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than Communion, cross your arms over your chest—this will alert the priest of your request. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

## AGNUS DEI - S 163



Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*The people are seated.*

## VOLUNTARY

DIALOGUE, FROM *MESSE POUR LES PAROISSES**François Couperin*  
(1668-1733)

## ANTHEM

COELOS ASCENDIT HODIE

*Charles V. Stanford*  
(1852-1924)

*Coelos ascendit hodie, Jesus Christus Rex gloriae, Alleluia! Sedet ad Patris dexteram, gubernat coelum et terram, Alleluia! Jam finem habent omnia, Patris Davidis carmina, Alleluia! Jam Dominus cum Domino, sedet in Dei solio, Alleluia! In hoc triumpho maximo, benedicamus Domino, Alleluia! Laudatur Sancta Trinitas, Deo dicamus gratias, Alleluia! Amen.*

Today Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, has ascended into the heavens, Alleluia!  
He sits at the Father's right hand, ruling heaven and earth, Alleluia!  
Now are David's songs fulfilled, now is the Lord with his Lord, Alleluia!  
He sits upon the royal throne of God, in this his greatest triumph, Alleluia!  
Let us bless the Lord: let the Holy Trinity be praised, let us give thanks to the Lord, Alleluia! Amen.

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The people stand.**Celebrant* Let us pray.

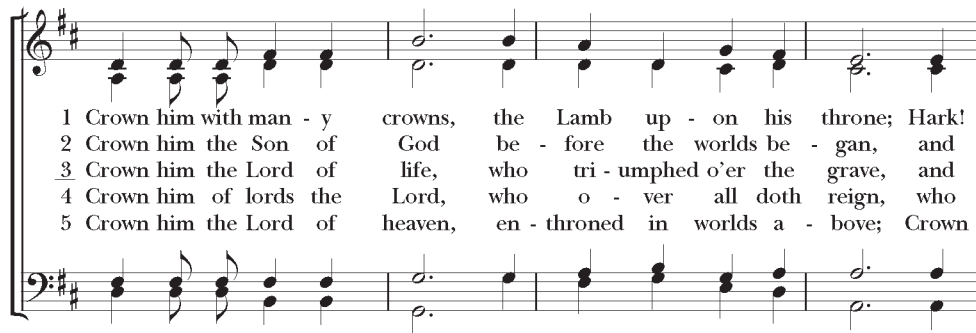
*All* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

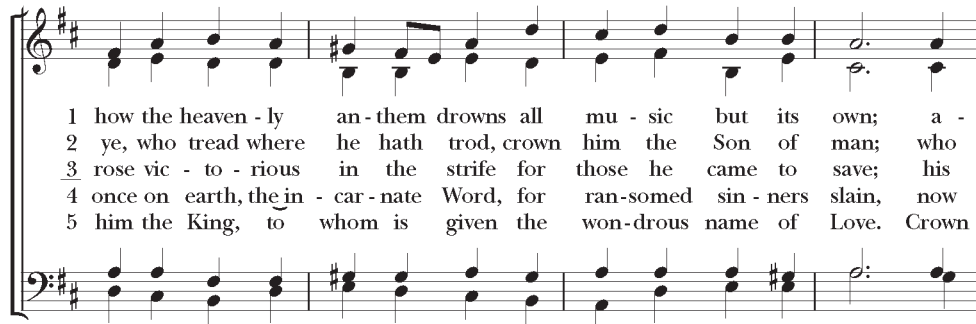
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* **And also with you.***The Celebrant blesses the People.**People* **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

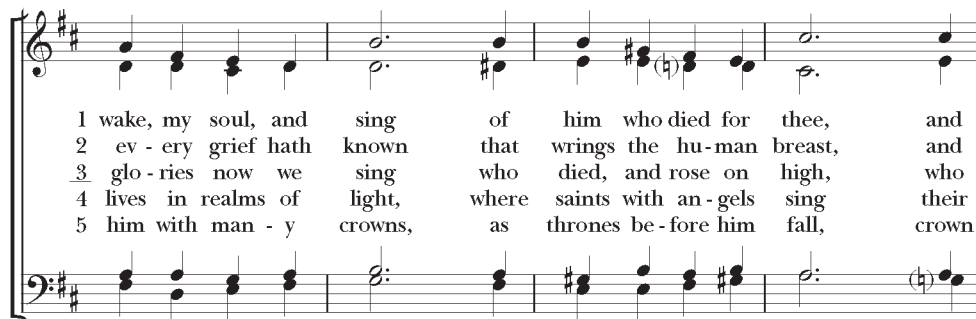
*The Gospeller dismisses the People.**People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**



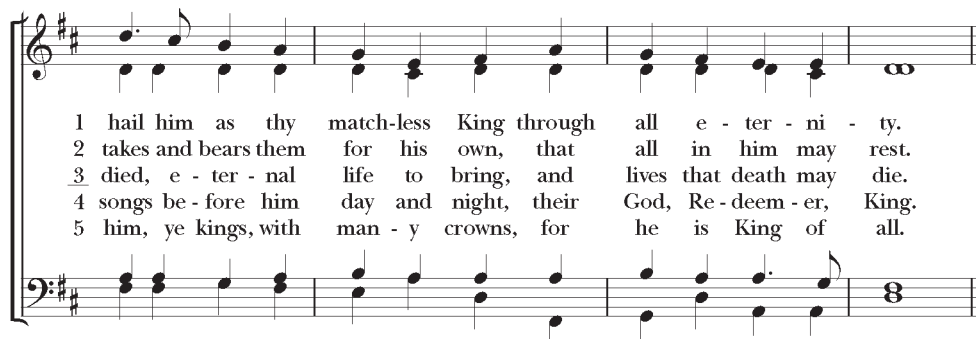
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and  
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who  
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown



1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who  
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now  
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown



1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and  
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who  
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their  
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown



1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.  
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.  
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.





# CURRENTS

Weekly Highlights of Parish Life: September 7 – 14, 2025

## THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8 am Holy Eucharist (N)  
8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)  
10 am Holy Eucharist (N)  
11:15 am Fall Homecoming Festival (FL)

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Offices Closed  
8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)  
5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)  
10 am Staff Meeting  
2 pm Common Thread (B112)  
5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)  
7:30 pm Chorale (N)  
8:30 pm AA (LL)

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)  
5 pm Evening Prayer (SMC)  
5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (N)  
6 pm Community Dinner (U)  
6:45 pm Book Study (MH)

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:30 am Morning Prayer (Z)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Offices Closed  
8:30 pm AA (LL)

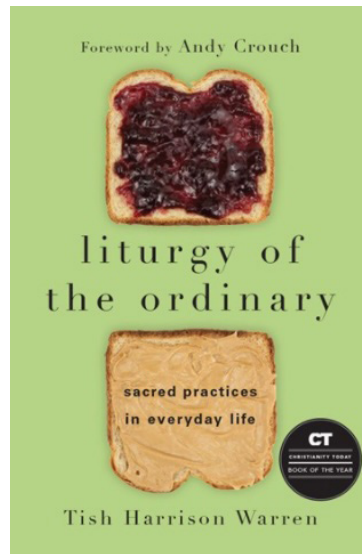
### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8 am Holy Eucharist (N)  
8:45 am Coffee Hour (U)  
9 am Holy Eucharist (N)  
10:15 am Ministry Fair (FL)  
10:15 am Formation Leader Orientation (B213)

#### Location Abbreviations:

BL - Bicknell Library	C - Columbarium
CR - Choir Room	EdW - Education Wing
FL - Front Lawn	L - Lobby
LL - Lower Level	N - Nave
O - Offsite	R - Rectory
SMC - Chapel	U - Undercroft
Z - Zoom	

## Thursdays at CCGP Resume This Week! Food. Faith. Formation.



### Join Us this Thursday, September 11:

Evening Prayer | 5 pm | St. Margaret's Chapel  
Holy Eucharist | 5:30 pm | St. Margaret's Chapel  
Community Dinner | 6 pm | Undercroft  
*Dinner: Huli Huli Chicken!*  
Adult Formation | 6:45 pm | Miller Hall

September 11 – November 20

## Liturgy of the Ordinary by Tish Harrison Warren

Books available for \$25 from Mtr. Maureen.

### 9 am Service Resumes!

#### Ministry Fair!

Sunday, September 14

We will be returning to our regular program year schedule next Sunday with services at 8 and 9 am! Join us following the 9 am Holy Eucharist for a Ministry Fair on the front lawn to learn about all the amazing opportunities to get involved this year!

All Children are Welcome! Children gather at the Children's Cross for the Collect of the Day and dismissal to Children's Chapel to hear the story of Jesus and engage in a meaningful reflection of the lessons for that Sunday. They return to join in our Prayers and to share in the Peace and Holy Communion.

# Parish & Community Events

## Today at Christ Church

**Childcare for infants – 3 years old is offered during the 10 am Sunday Eucharist.**

- » Holy Eucharist..... 8 am .....Nave
- » Coffee Hour.....8:45 am ..... Undercroft
- » Holy Eucharist.....10 am .....Nave
- » Homecoming Festival..... 11:15 am .....Front Lawn

## Parish Life

### O.W.L.S: Outings, Wisdom, Love, Service For the 55 & Better Crowd!

The first outing of the program year will be attending Crosscurrents, an exhibit at The Shepherd followed by lunch at Alma Kitchen on Friday, September 26 at 11 am! Contact Colleen, [cftzgerald@christchurchgp.org](mailto:cftzgerald@christchurchgp.org) for more information or to RSVP!

### Crossroads Ask of the Month: September!

We will be collecting items monthly in the lobby – due to space limitations at this time we are only collecting the specific items requested. The ask of the month for September is men's and women's deodorant, men's and women's shaving needs and fragrance free lotion.

### Join the Carstens Reading Initiative

Give an hour or two each week to help a child learn to read. Scan the QR code to register! A training session will be held here at CCGP on September 18 at 9:30 am in the Undercroft. Contact Mtr. Maureen Martin, [mmartin@christchurchgp.org](mailto:mmartin@christchurchgp.org) for more information!



### Stained Glass in Grosse Pointe September 17 | 7:30 pm

The GP History Center will be hosting photographer and architectural historian Dale Carlson. CCGP is featured in his upcoming book about the subject. Scan the QR code for more information and to register.



### An Invitation to Shared Discernment

Every fall, the Rector and Vestry appoint a Nominating Committee to discern and call members of Christ Church to serve on the Vestry. This faithful work, however, is never done in isolation and is best done with your prayerful support and participation.



The Nominating Committee invites you to join us in this difficult, yet sacred, task. Please scan the QR code to share with us who you recommend for the Vestry!

## Children, Youth and Family

### Fall is Here!

**Sunday, September 14 | 10:15 – 11:15 am**

All Formation Leaders should attend this orientation!

**Sunday, September 21 | 10:15 – 11:15 am**

First Day of Atrium Faith Formation PreK – Grade 12

**Thursday, September 18 | 6:45 pm**

One Big World Youth Peace & Justice Team

**Thursday, September 25 | 6:45 pm**

Confirmation Preparation Begins

If your child(ren) were part of our Atrium Faith Formation program last year, more information will be arriving in your email inbox soon. If you are new to our program, please contact Lisa Brown at 586-306-5254 or [lbrown@christchurchgp.org](mailto:lbrown@christchurchgp.org) to receive a personal welcome, register for classes, and take a tour of our space upstairs.

### Thursday Formation for 3 – 6 year-olds

**Begins Thursday, September 25 | 4:45 pm**

Do you have a 3 to 6 year-old who would enjoy/prefer Faith Formation on Thursdays from 4:45 to 6 pm rather than our Sunday program? We have three certified Catechesis of the Good Shepherd catechists excited to run a weekly program for our potty-trained littles from any Christian denomination — they do not need to be a CCGP member so bring a friend! These classes are a wonderful opportunity for after-school socialization, prayer, and building friendships. We need at least five children to formally register for the class to be meaningful for the children. Please contact Lisa Brown, [lbrown@christchurchgp.org](mailto:lbrown@christchurchgp.org) by September 22 to register.

### Confirmation

**Begins Thursday, September 25 | 6:45 pm**

Are you seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation but missed our orientation last spring? Please contact Lisa Brown at [lbrown@christchurchgp.org](mailto:lbrown@christchurchgp.org) to register for our make-up session in early September. Confirmation preparation begins Thursday, September 25 at 6:45 pm following community dinner. The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Bonnie Perry is set for Sunday, June 14, 2026.

### One Big World Presents A Hunger Banquet

**November 16 | 10:15 am**

Join our youth for an interactive simulation of global economics that brings to life the inequalities in our world related to food, hunger, shelter, and personal income and allows participants to experience first-hand how their decisions effect others in the world. It is a meal and role-play type event that raises funds and awareness of world hunger by inviting guests to eat in proportion to how the world eats. Everyone 11 years old to 111 years old is invited!



**Clap your hands, all you people**

# Parish & Community Events

## Worship & Music

### Flowers

The flowers this weekend are given to the Glory of God.

### Evensong

Sunday, September 21 | 4 pm

The service of Evensong (or sung Evening Prayer) is drawn almost entirely from the Bible: Psalms, lessons from the Old and New Testaments, and Canticles (songs of praise from the Scriptures). Music is an integral part of this service, and the choirs offer sung prayers to God on behalf of the people of God.

### Sixth Annual Hymnathon!

Saturday, September 27 | 8 am – 6 pm

Join us for the Sixth Annual Hymnathon as the Christ Church Choir sings every hymn in the 1982 Hymnal. Join us in person to bang the gong to end a hymn immediately, or ring the bell to sponsor more verses! (\$20 each!) Hymn and chorister sponsorships available NOW! Scan the QR code for more info!



### Do You Know a Child Who Loves to Sing?

Our after-school choir program has provided outstanding music opportunities for Grosse Pointe and Detroit area children for nearly a century. The Novice Program is the first step in the Christ Church Choir for a child who loves to sing! Young people in the Novice Program learn the basics of singing, reading music, and fundamental musical structure. The Novice Program provides children and families a first experience of our world-class choir program in a fun group environment and is a place to explore our role and commitments in our community. Children with enthusiasm for music are encouraged to email Jackson Merrill, Assistant Director of Music at [jmerrill@christchurchgp.org](mailto:jmerrill@christchurchgp.org).

### UMS Presents Verdi's *Requiem*

DSO & UMS Choral Union

Friday, September 26 | 4 pm

We're putting together a group to attend the UMS Season opener, prepared by our very own Scott Hanoian. We'll carpool to Ann Arbor to see Verdi's monumental work that fuses the drama of opera with the spiritual depth of sacred music. Please RSVP to Colleen, [cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org](mailto:cfitzgerald@christchurchgp.org) by Thursday, September 11..

## Assisting at Services

### Altar Guild:

8 am Sandra Walters  
10 am Lynnette Iannace

### Eucharistic Ministers:

8 am Cheryl Wesen  
10 am Mary Trost  
Lisa Niscoromni

### Lector:

8 am Susan Tawile  
10 am Eric Ash

### Prayers:

8 am Cheryl Wesen  
10 am Rema Waugh

### Verger:

10 am Deb Champion

### Acolytes:

10 am Sam Van Culin  
Carolyn Adams  
George Adams  
Violet Hakim  
Emme Bachand

### Ushers:

9 am Richard Best  
George Sutton  
Steve Fehniger  
Jean Redfield  
Dave Redfield

### Flowers:

Libby Candler  
Sue Chaklos

## We Pray Together

Please leave your written prayer request at our Reception Desk or contact **Fr. Drew** at [rector@christchurchgp.org](mailto:rector@christchurchgp.org).

In order to keep all our prayers for healing meaningful and current, we keep names on the Prayer List for two weeks.

**In the Diocese of Michigan Cycle of Prayer:** Saint Paul (Lansing); Saint Paul the Apostle (Jimani).

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** The Church of Southern Africa.

**In our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week we pray for:** Albert & Shelia Minetola; William Minetola; April Minetola; Dennis Miriani; Lilly Miriani and son, Charlie; Phoebe Miriani; Sue Moody-Frezza and children, Laure and Blair; Patrick & Michele Moore and children, Spencer and Reland; Bob Moorhead and children, Grant and Kendall; Katherine & Frank Moran.

**We offer prayers for:** Al & Margaret, Beth, Betsy, Chris, Dick, Elsie, Emily, JoAnn, Karyn, Laura, Lindsey & Eric, Liz, Marco, Michael, Michelle, Mike, Patricia.

**In celebration for the birthdays and anniversaries of:** Kate Lally; Maggie Green; Daniel Skedel; Joie Seifried; Jack McCormick; Margaret Loomis; Sidney King; James Spica; Conrad & Jan Squitieri; Albert & Shelia Minetola; Mike & Mary Bamford; Jim & Darlene Grabowski; Scott & Meredith Hanoian; Mike DeFillipi & Dave Gerdis.

and shout to God with a cry of joy.





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