



Christ Church Charlotte

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021 · 10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II and Holy Baptism

Welcome to worship in your Spiritual Home.

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

Keeping our community healthy: Although no in-person gathering is free from risk of exposure to COVID-19, observing these simple safety protocols during worship will help us safeguard the health of our community. All who wish to join in congregational singing, vaccinated or not, should wear a mask while singing. Anyone who is not fully vaccinated should wear a mask throughout the service, except when consuming the communion bread. Use of masks is encouraged for all, but is optional for anyone who is vaccinated. Masks are available at the welcome table.

Our guiding principles of safety, hospitality, and respect, supported by the guidance of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina and the CDC, will continue to inform our practices as we embrace new, sacred rhythms of being together.

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

Prelude Just as I am

William Bolcom

THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn 525 The Church's one foundation

Aurelia

The Opening Acclamation

BCP 299

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking; Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 693 Just as I am

Woodworth

The Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Reverend Emily Parker

The Presentation of Candidates

BCP 301

Celebrant: The Candidate(s) for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents: I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents,

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying,

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

The Celebrant then says these or similar words,

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP 304

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, he was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Prayers for the Candidates

BCP 305

Leader: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

The Celebrant says,

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

BCP 306

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

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

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

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptisms

BCP 307

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon the candidate and says,

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of Holy Spirit. You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says:

Celebrant: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace *(standing)*

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

We are not passing an offering plate at this time. An offering box is available at the check-in table or you may text the amount you wish to give to 704-741-7324

Offertory Anthem Dear Lord and father

CHH Parry

The Great Thanksgiving *(standing)*

BCP 361

The Celebrant faces the people and says,

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A proper preface is said by the Celebrant.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues,

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues,

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All are invited to receive the bread of Holy Communion. Distribution of the elements will vary by location. After the Celebrant gives you the bread, you may remove your mask to consume. After consuming, please put your mask back on.

Music at Communion Ave verum corpus

W.A. Mozart

Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.

Hail, true Body, born
Of the Virgin Mary,
Having truly suffered, sacrificed
On the cross for mankind,
From whole pieced side
Water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste of Heavenly banquet
in the time of death.

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.

Blessing

Hymn 567 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

St. Matthew

The Dismissal

Clergy: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Processional

William Mathias

Intercessions

The Church – Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Anne, our Bishops; Metlha, Bishop of Botswana; Orlando, Bishop of Costa Rica; and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Rwanda

People of Other Religions – Prayers for the people of all world religions, that we might share a spirit of respect, understanding and cooperation for the welfare and peace of the world

Leaders of All Nations – Joe, our President; Roy, our Governor; Vi, our Mayor; the Congress, the Courts, and all in authority

Those in Harm's Way – U.S. Military, especially David Rand; First Responders; and for those affected by natural disasters, acts of violence and the coronavirus

Our Community Partners in Mission and Outreach – especially Safe Alliance

The sick in body, mind, or spirit – Fletcher Pierce, Burnet Pearce, Abbot Howard, Anna Vaughn Manly, Fran Teter, Gwen Grant, Sandy Akers, Ford Bobick, Neal Dent, Susan Fitzgerald, Larry Breckenridge, Burch Mixon, Alex Shaw, Parker Mansson, Peter Bragdon, Mary Criswell, Joe Lawton, Hilary Hamilton, Gray Austin, Joe Motto, Johnsie Canny, Wally Brown, and Peter Schreiner

For those who long to have children and for the expectant mothers in our parish – Bailey Crosby, Ellen Rayburn, Dayna Jordan, Laurens Threlkeld, Caroline Austin, Kara Hunt, Blair Tomlinson, Charlotte Jacobs, Ann Stewart, Rebecca Adams Starrs, Devin Black, Becca Jones, Nancy Weadon, Margaret Black, Katherine Peters Engle, Mary Hadley Wyatt, Lindsay Masi and Aubree Slaven

Birth – Claudia Smith Bray, daughter of Izabella and Richard Bray; Lindsay Coalter Anderson, daughter of Laura and Mitchell Anderson; Clara Alling Doerre, daughter of Carr and Matt Doerre

Death – Susan Singiser White; Pinkney Beryl Young III, father of Clay Young

The flowers on the altar and the Paschal Candle are given to the glory of God, in honor of Olivia Stratton Hufham and in loving memory of her grandfather, Reuben Hufham.

The following children will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism:

Weber Bates Adair, son of Emily and Bates Adair
Grace Luke Gates, daughter of Lindsay and Scott Gates
Frances Wells Howard, daughter of Darcie and Ross Howard
Olivia Stratton Hufham, daughter of Anette and Baxter Hufham
Conrad Hull Keesee, son of Emily and Jordan Keesee
Katherine Tobias Ninemire, daughter of Annie and Wade Ninemire
Walter Wrinza Pitt III, son of Claudia and William Pitt
Margaret Llewellyn Warren, daughter of Falconer and Scott Warren