Seventh Sunday of Easter May 24, 2020 11 a.m.

We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. Since 1839, this Christian community has gathered for worship.

Morning Prayer, Rite I

THE REV. BECKY ZARTMAN, Canon Missioner for Welcome and Evangelism
Officiant

The Liturgy is found in The Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Hymns and service music (S) are in The Hymnal 1982.

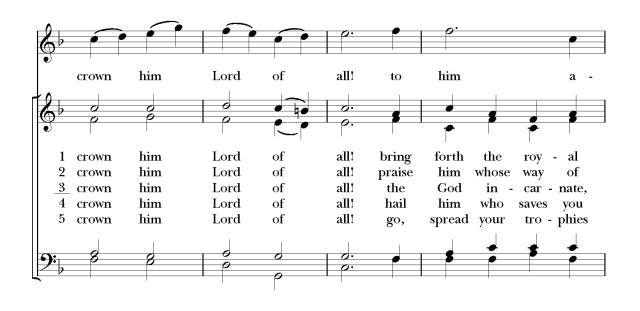
OPENING VOLUNTARY Air, A Prelude for Organ

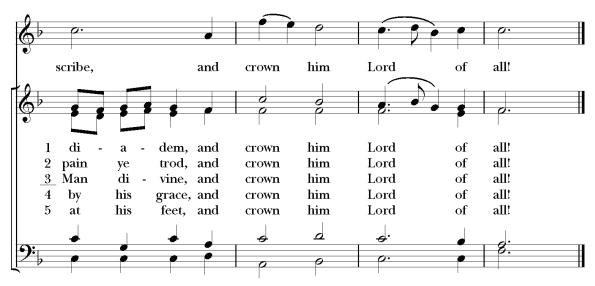
Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

Introit Tone VII

- V. Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia; unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord, have I sought; thy face, Lord will I seek.
- R. O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluia, alleluia.







6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

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OPENING SENTENCES

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

— Psalm 122:1

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

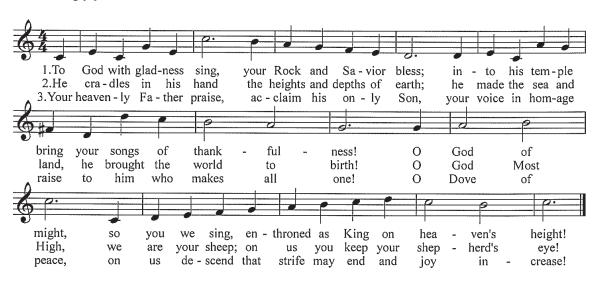
THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER All stand.

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



Psalm 68:1–10, 33–36

Officiant and People together

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *

let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;

exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows, *

God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; * but the rebels shall live in dry places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, * when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,

at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *

you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it; *

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *

sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *

he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.
How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!

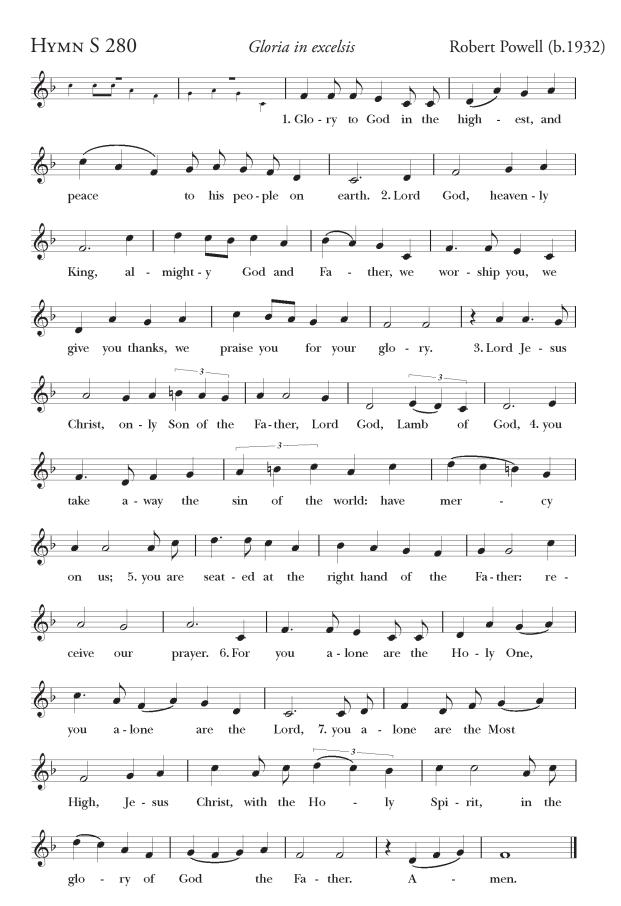
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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



Deacon A reading from the Gospel according to John.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

Deacon The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Very Rev. Barkley S. Thompson, Dean

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord.

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS The People stand or kneel.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and 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.

Officiant O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage;

People Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Officiant Day by day we magnify thee;

People And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Officiant Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin; People O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

Officiant O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us;

People As our trust is in thee.

Officiant O Lord, in thee have I trusted; People Let me never be confounded.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

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A Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY

Solo

Robert Lowry (1826–1899) arr. Aaron Copland (1900–1990)

Shall we gather by the river, Where bright angel's feet have trod, With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather by the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease, Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace.

Yes, we'll gather at the river. The beautiful, the beautiful, river. Gather with the saints at the river, That flows by the throne of God.

— Robert Lowry

John Gallagher, soloist

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

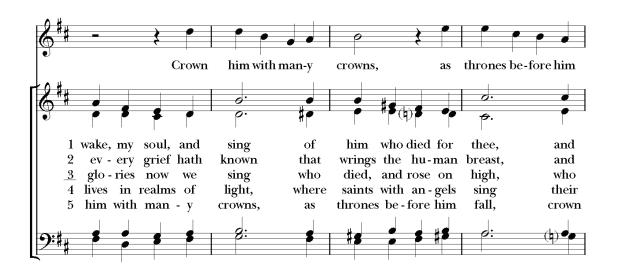
And, we beseech thee,

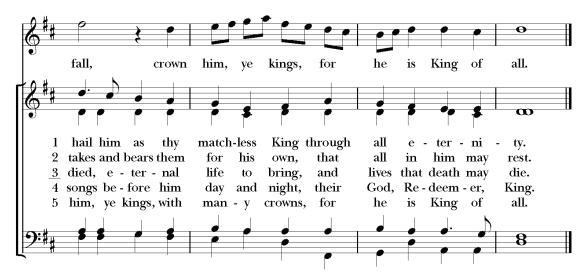
give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Hymn 494 Diademata







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THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Brewer's Trumpet

David Ashley White (b.1944)

John Gallagher, soloist Daryl Robinson, Cathedral Organist

Music Notes

Famed Organist and Master of the Choristers at New York's Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue Gerre Hancock will hold a unique place in the world of sacred music for generations to come. Noted for his brilliant improvisations, a skill he worked to refine during his studies with Nadia Boulanger in France, Hancock was a consummate musician and teacher. A native of Lubbock, Texas, Hancock began his sacred music career as organist of Second Baptist Church in Lubbock before his career took him to Cincinnati, New York, and eventually the faculties of the Juilliard School and Yale University. Composed in 1960 and dedicated "for Judy" (whom he would soon marry in 1961), Air: A Prelude for Organ is composed in a simple ABA form and features a lyrical, song-like tune so characteristic of Gerre's improvisations and compositions. — *DR*

The Book of Remembrance
This week we remember Thomas Woodward Houghton.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of their parents, Joy and Norman Kittrell and Harvey Shepherd, and in thanksgiving for Emily Shepherd by Norman and Frances Kittrell.

Welcome Sunday, May 24, 2020

Announcements

- ❖ Please fill out an important COVID-19 survey on returning to church A Cathedral task force is at work preparing a plan for our return to in-person worship on the Cathedral campus. Please take the brief survey, available in the Dean's weekly email and also on our website (on a blue button under the images on the homepage), to help us know your hopes, preferences, and concerns. When information is available, Dean Thompson will update everyone on the plans. Virtual worship continues until June 1.
- ❖ Join a small group to discuss this year's Cathedral Reads pick, A Prayer for Owen Meany We're so excited for another summer of Cathedral Reads. This year, adults are reading A Prayer for Owen Meany by John Irving, and youth and children are reading R.J. Palacios' Wonder. You can order both books from our Bookstore, for pick-up or for delivery. Order online by filling out the form on our website, where you can also sign up for a weekly discussion group (look for the Cathedral Reads banner or look under "Registrations"). There will be monthly discussion groups as well.
- ❖ On Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. on Zoom, learn how to help make masks Please join the Mission Outreach Council in our effort to make masks to contribute to Houston Responds' Masks for All Project. We need sewers, cutters, runners, and materials; fill out the form on the Cathedral website (under "Registrations") to let us know how you would like to serve. We'll send you an email and connect you to other volunteers to share progress, ask or answer questions, and find fellowship over Zoom. Email the Rev. Greg Seme at gseme@christchurchcathedral.org to get the Zoom link for each of the three remaining meetings.
- The Cathedral is hosting a socially distanced, safe blood drive next Sunday, May 31
 A blood drive is one of the many ways we can support others during this time. One donation has the ability to save three lives. Our safe blood drive will be Sunday, May 31, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Reynolds Hall. People can give by appointment only. Go to our website under "Registrations" for the link to sign up.
- ❖ How to make a donation online It is simple to make a donation on the Cathedral website, as an Easter offering or for any other reason. Look for the tab at the top of the site that says, "Give." Click on the tab for a variety of ways to make a gift to the Cathedral. We are now offering options to pay via PayPal as well as a new "text-to-give" option. Simply text "Give" to 888-998-1634, and follow the instructions. If you have questions, contact Chief Administrative Officer and Minister for Stewardship Karen Kraycirik at kkraycirik@christchurchcathedral.org or 713-590-3338.

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