



WILL YOU STRIVE FOR JUSTICE
AND PEACE AMONG ALL PEOPLE,
AND RESPECT THE DIGNITY
OF EVERY HUMAN BEING?
I will with God's help

THE 1ST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPHIPANY HOLY EUCHARIST STREAMING SERVICE JANUARY 10, 2021

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Worship is like art, it is a representation of the relationship of God, community, and self. So, if it is an art, we should use our imagination and body. First, get ready. Turn off distractions and give the whole time to something greater than ourselves. Second, light a candle, place art, or arrange flowers near your screen. During the prelude breathe deeply and stretch your body. During the service: stand, sit, kneel, make the sign of the cross, and bow. Lastly, find something 'artistic' and not-distracting to do with your hands to keep the tactile part of this blessing real in your body.

*Congregation shares in saying the words in bold.
The people standing, as each is able, the Presider says*

Presider Blessed be the One, holy and living God
People **Glory to God forever and ever. Merry Christmas!**

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.

Glory to God in the Highest, **and peace to God's people on earth.**

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

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

THE EPISTLE: **Acts 19:1-7**

The people sit.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them,

the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 29

¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; *

the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *

the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;

the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁸The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *

and strips the forests bare.

⁹And in the temple of the LORD *

all are crying, “Glory!”

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *

the LORD sits enthroned as King forevermore.

¹¹The LORD shall give strength to his people; *

the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

At the end of the Psalm is sung or said

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 GOSPEL: Mark 1:4-11

The people stand

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the

thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ**

THE HOMILY

The people sit.

BAPTISMAL RENEWAL INVITATION

The Presider may first address the people in these or similar words, all standing

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Advent, Christmas and Epiphany observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Presider 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.

Presider 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.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,

and in the prayers?

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

Presider 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.**

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

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

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

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

Presider 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.**

The Presider concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray to our God whose Spirit breathes life into being, that through baptism we may be empowered as God's beloved children to share in the healing and reconciling work of Christ, saying: God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

- Fill your Church with the power of your Holy Spirit, O Gracious One, that we may bring the light of your blessing to the whole world. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**
- Let your gentle spirit be upon this nation and upon all in authority, that we may share in your work to bring forth justice upon the earth. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**
- Let your prophets speak powerful words of repentance and transformation to the ends of the earth, that the breath of your creative love and the sound of your blessing may go forth throughout the world. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**
- Let your grace descend and dwell among the people of this community, that we may be united in love, abounding in compassion, and proactive in peace. We bring to you today those serving in the military: (Military): *Richard W., Eric C., Michael S., Chris W., Mark R., Michael B., Marshal N., Nicole G., Joshua R. David B., Tony G., Mark, Timothy N., Jerome S., William S., Austin, Neil S., Rob., Evan H., James R., Robert W.*
- And those who risk so much as First Responders: *Jim N., Rob H., Frank D., Tom H., Joan H., David III, Michael D., Marianna, Aaron K., Josh P., Doug C., Art R., Lee E., Jesse F., Mitchell H., Wayne M.*

God shall give strength to the people. **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

- Let the heavens open and your Spirit descend upon us, bringing your comfort and healing to all for whom we pray, especially *Doug C., Bill T., John L. Jeanne, DePalma Family, Richard G., Melso Family, Peticca Family, Maripat, Amy, Kay, Doris, Katharyn H., Maureen, Richard, Michelle, Feilke family, Jay S., Donna P., Sue S., Joyce M., Rebecca, Anna, Jack, Jane B., Nancy A., Cameron, Megan, Jessica, Donna, Maye, Little Vincent and all law enforcement officers and staff who were injured at the U.S. Capital this week.*

Hear our grateful thanks and praise for your demonstration of presence and grace in our lives and in the lives of others, giving thanks especially for the waters that sustain us.

Welcome with your divine pleasure all who have died, especially Linda Epps (*and*____) that they may have a place in your eternal realms.

We pray for the souls of 1.8 million dead worldwide from the Coronavirus. May they rest in peace, and may we strive to reduce the devastation. *Silence.*

God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Presider: Gracious and loving God, you have anointed your people with the waters of Baptism, and you have made us your beloved children: Let your Spirit spread mightily among us, that we may share in the work of your Son, bringing blessing and light to all the world in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ

All stand as you are able.

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

Offertory Reminder and Announcements

Let us love God and one another by offering our treasures to the work of love.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

As you are able, please stand

Presider 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer 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. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time

you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Savior. He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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

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.

Stand or kneel as you are able.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you 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." **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Come: the table of bread and wine is now ready.
It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.
It is the table of sharing with the poor and suffering;
those with whom Jesus identified.
It is the table of communion with the earth,
in which Christ became incarnate.
So come to this table, you who have much faith
and you who would like to have more;
you who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time;
you who have tried to follow Jesus,
and you who have failed; Come.
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The people receive communion, or, set their intention toward spiritual communion.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Presider and People

**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.**

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

May you rejoice and be glad for the goodness and love of God. May you welcome the good news of great joy for all people, the news of the Savior who is Messiah, the Lord. May you be filled with the Spirit and join the heavenly song, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace and goodwill toward all." And the blessing of our wonderful God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and grow in you, now and always. **Amen.**

Presider: Enlightened by Christ, go now in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE RED NAVE DOORS (ON SELLERS AVE.) FOLLOWING THIS SERVICE TILL 12 NOON. PLEASE MASK, AND CARE-FULLY DISTANCE. ALL ARE WELCOME, IT IS CHRIST WHO INVITES YOU TO MEET HIM HERE.

A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION FOR PEOPLE PARTICIPATING ONLINE

Hold in your heart all the communion tables across the globe and across time, as well as transformative moments in your life at everyday tables.

In union, O Lord,
with your faithful people
at every altar of your
Church,
where the Holy Eucharist is
now being celebrated, I
desire to offer to you praise
and thanksgiving.
I remember your death, Lord
Christ; I proclaim your
resurrection; I await your
coming in glory.
Since I cannot receive you
today in the Sacrament of
your Body and Blood,
I call on you to come
spiritually into my heart and
soul.
Cleanse and strengthen me
with your grace, Lord Jesus,
and let me never be
separated from you.
May I live in you, and you in
me, in this life and in the life
to come. Amen.

CCRP EVENTS & INFORMATION

Whoever you are, for whatever draws you to join Christ Church today, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about how to connect and grow through the ministries of the Episcopal Church in this region, and Christ Church, Ridley Park, please send us an email: office@christchurchridleypark.org.

Join our weekly e-newsletter by texting CCRPLOVE to 22828. The parish-wide emails will be in your inbox every Friday evening and have our most updated announcements and access to important links.

Red Door Communion Distribution- We are now be offering in-person communion after the 10am livestreamed Holy Eucharist service. After participating at home, you may come by the church **between 11-11:30pm** to receive communion outdoors at the rear of the nave, red doors. Please remain masked and social distanced from other households outside.

Free Poinsettias- Help us re-home the Christmas decor poinsettias. You may pick them up during communion distribution.

Pledge Envelopes- Your 2021 pledge envelopes are ready for pick-up! We are asking that households please stop by the church to pick-up envelopes during Office Hours or during Sunday communion distribution. If you will not be using your pledge envelopes this year because you are giving electronically online, please inform the office as soon as possible.

Quizzitch Game Night- January 31, 7pm on zoom. The congregational-wide competition is back again! This online quiz show is good for teams of all ages. Team up with your covid-pod & zoom-in together. One screen per-team with phone-in teammates welcome.

Dismantling Racism Youth Workshop with the Diocese of Pennsylvania- Youth 13+ are invited. Reach out to Mackenzie for more information.

1/17- Zoom Guardian Information Meeting

2/14- Workshop Session 1 (10am-4pm)

3/7- Workshop Session 2 (10am - 4pm)

Annual Meeting- Packets will be available for pick up on January 24th during communion distribution, from 11-12pm. The first Sunday of February at 11am the meeting will be hosted on zoom (call-in option available) with voting online and by mail-in ballots. More info to come.

Livestreaming Assistant- If you are willing to be trained on how to work the streaming camera remote and broadcast the Sunday 10am service please contact Mackenzie.

Photo Scanning- Looking for tech-able persons to take home photos to scan and digitize for CCRP photo archives. On your own time and at your own pace.

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