



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10th, 2026

SERVANTS OF THE WEEK

	MAY 10	MAY 17
Officiant / Leader	Doug Rotondi	<i>Still Needed</i>
Sharer	Doug Rotondi	John Nordhagen
Altar Guild	Becky Allen	Becky Allen
	Vicky Dean	Vicky Dean
Chalice Bearer		
Lay Reader	Karen Marinos	Patti Burt
Ushers	Tom Vivian	Karen Marinos
	Sandy Vivian	Elaine Whitley
	Cynthia Weems	Cynthia Weems
Sunday School	Vicky Dean	Sally Kelly
	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
Music	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
Order of Worship	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
Sound & Video	Charlie & Jim	Charlie & Jim

A NOTE ABOUT LITURGICAL WORSHIP

Liturgy means the work of the people. Its purpose is to engage people in active participation in drawing near to God. An analogy that helps us understand why we follow a liturgical form of worship is that of a trail leading up to a mountain vista. We follow the trail not only to arrive at a particular destination, but we enjoy the journey en route! We enjoy the sounds of rushing streams and singing birds, the smell of the forest and fresh earth, the beauty of the sunlight and the changing scenery. In a similar way in our journey to the vista of the adoration of Jesus Christ, we pass through prayers that point and direct us to His character, the songs that enliven our heart with images of His glory, the Word of God that proclaims His truth, and the communion that draws us to His heart. Would you journey with us today through the landscape of the Lord's goodness?

MORNING PRAYER

May 10th, 2026

*Before service we will enter a time of reflective quiet
as we ready our hearts for the Lord.*

Officiant says to the people

Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Mark 16:6 and Luke 24:34

PROCESSIONAL

All stand.

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,

Refrain

**Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.**

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flow’r,
Sun and moon and stars of light, ***[Refrain]***

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild, ***[Refrain]***

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For Thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,

Refrain

**Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.**

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THE CONFESSION OF SIN

All Prayerfully sit or kneel. Officiant says to the People

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept as we pause for reflection.

Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the deceits and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your 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; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord; And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

Officiant prays

Grant your faithful people, merciful Lord, pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

Officiant and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE MUSIC

All stand.

“God Of Wonders”

Lord of all creation,
Of water earth and sky,
The heavens are Your tabernacle.
Glory to the Lord on high!

Chorus

**God of wonders beyond our galaxy,
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty,
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth,
Lord of heaven and earth.**

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Early in the morning,
I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness,
I will call Your name by night.

Chorus

**God of wonders beyond our galaxy,
You are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty,
You are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth,
Lord of heaven and earth.**

Ending

Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth.
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth.
Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth.

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THE INVITATORY

O Lord, open our lips;
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

ANTIPHON

Officiant

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed.

O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

PASCHA NOSTRUM

Christ our Passover

Officiant and People say

**Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
Alleluia.**

**Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has dominion over him.**

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

**So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

**For as in Adam all die, *
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

THE LESSONS

PSALM 148:7-14

- ⁷ Praise the Lord upon earth, *
you sea monsters and all deeps;
- ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, *
fruitful trees and all cedars;
- ¹⁰ Beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and birds of the air;
- ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- ¹² Young men and maidens, *
old men and children together.
- ¹³ Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above
heaven and earth.
- ¹⁴ He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his faithful
shall praise him, *
the children of Israel, the people who are near him.
Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

A reading from Isaiah 41:17-20 (Page 601)

After the reading the reader says:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

All stand.

“God I Look To You”

God I look to You
I won't be overwhelmed
Give me vision
To see things like You do
God I look to You
You're where my help comes from
Give me wisdom
You know just what to do

Chorus 1

**I will love You Lord my strength
I will love You Lord my shield
I will love You Lord my rock
Forever all my days,
I will love You God [Return to Verse]**

Chorus 2

**Hallelujah our God reigns
Hallelujah our God reigns
Hallelujah our God reigns
Forever all my days,
Hallelujah [Repeat]**

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SECOND LESSON

A reading from John 15:1-11 (Page 901)

After the reading the reader says:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

All stand.

“I Am the Vine”

Chorus

**I am the Vine __, and you are the bran-ches;
Live in Me, and you will ne-ver die;
I am the Vine, and my Father is the Keep-er;
Come to Me, let the Spir-it bring you life.**

Like a tree __ planted by _ the liv-ing wa-ter,
To stretch its roots __ into the liv-ing stream,
You will show no dis-tress,
In the heat __ of the drought __,
But still bear fruit _ and live. **[Chorus]**

Come to Me __, all you hea-vy la-dened;
My yoke is easy; My bur-den is light;
I will raise __ you up
On the wings of an ea-gle,
And to God's moun-tain will fly. **[Chorus]**

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SHARING – DOUG ROTONDI

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by 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.

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. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19-21

OFFERTORY SONG

All stand.

“Your Love O Lord”

Your love O Lord
Reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness
Stretches to the sky
Your righteousness
Is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows
Like the ocean's tide

Chorus

**I will lift my voice
To worship You my King
I will find my strength
In the shadow of Your wings [Return to Verse]**

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THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen.**

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THE PRAYERS

The people remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant and People pray together

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.

Prayerfully sit or kneel

SUFFRAGES

O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

And grant us your salvation.

O Lord, guide those who govern us;

And lead us in the way of justice and truth.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

And let your people sing with joy.

O Lord, save your people;

And bless your inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;

And defend us by your mighty power.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR STRENGTH

To Await Christ's Return

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR MISSION

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR THE SELECTION OF A MINISTER

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a priest for this parish that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People say together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant continues

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING SCRIPTURE

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20-21

MILESTONES

RECESSIONAL

All stand.

“Revive Us Again”

We praise Thee O God
For the Son of Thy love
For Jesus who died
And is now gone above

Chorus

Hallelujah Thine the glory
Hallelujah amen
Hallelujah Thine the glory
Revive us again

All glory and praise
To the Lamb that was slain
Who has borne all our sins
And has cleansed every stain **[Chorus]**

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All glory and praise
To the God of all grace
Who has bought us and sought us
And guided our ways

Chorus

**Hallelujah Thine the glory
Hallelujah amen
Hallelujah Thine the glory
Revive us again**

Revive us again
Fill each heart with Thy love
May each soul be rekindled
With fire from above ***[Chorus]***

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia,
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

CHRIST THE TRUE VINE

Icon, 16th century, Athens, Greece

Angelos Akotantos

“The renowned fifteenth-century Cretan iconographer Angelos Akotantos (d.1450) painted the icon *Christ the Vine* during a pivotal and turbulent period of the Church’s history. The collapse of the Byzantine Empire was imminent, leading to a contentious Church council in the cities of Ferrara and Florence (c.1438–45) where leaders strove to unify the Eastern and Western Church. Today, the icon is sequestered in a Cretan monastery; but, like all icons, many versions exist, including this one in the Byzantine Museum in Athens.

“The large figure of Christ with extended arms is seated at the nexus of the intertwined branches, establishing him as the common root and life of the Church (John 15:1–8). An open book, inscribed with excerpts from John 15, is superimposed on the Christ figure at the centre of the icon, suggesting the Word’s centrality. St Peter and St Paul, perhaps representing the two branches of the Church, East and West, are prominently positioned on either side of Christ. They are seated higher than the other apostles while the evangelists sit to Christ’s immediate left and right, dialoguing in pairs. The remaining apostles, like Christ, hold books and scrolls—their eyes fixed on him. The hanging fruit symbolizes the continuation of the faithful: as they abide in Christ so too he abides in them (John 15:4).

“These direct, visual references to unity are built upon an indirect reference to another well-known type of image, *The Tree of Jesse*... Such references to the Jesse Tree in the icon of *Christ the Vine* subtly suggest further layers of unity... This larger continuity between the Testaments makes a further claim on the Eastern and Western Church to remain united in obedience to Christ (John 15:9–10). ‘Love is the fulfilling of the law’ (Romans 13:10). Jesus shows what sacrifice such love must entail, for ‘greater love has no man than [that he] lay down his life for his friends’ (John 15:13). East and West, like Jesus’s first disciples, must love one another in a sacrificial existence if they are to be true branches of the true vine (John 15:12, 17).” (*Stephen M. Garrett, thevcs.org*)