



# CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

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SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

MAY 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

# SERVANTS OF THE WEEK

	MAY 17	MAY 24
Officiant / Leader	John Nordhagen	
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	Vicky Dean	Vicky Dean
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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

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## Sunday After the Ascension

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

*Officiant says to the people*

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14, 16*

## PROCESSIONAL

*All stand.*

### ***“Crown Him With Many Crowns”***

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne  
Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns

All music but its own

Awake, my soul and sing, of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King thro' all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save  
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high  
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die

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Crown Him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above  
Crown Him the King, to whom is given,  
The wondrous name of Love  
Crown Him with many crowns, as thrones before Him fall  
Crown Him ye kings with many crowns for He is King of all

*Matthew Bridges & George Elvey*

## **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.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### PRAISE MUSIC

*All stand.*

#### ***“Ever Be”***

Your love is devoted, like a ring of solid gold  
Like a vow that is tested, like a covenant of old  
Your love is enduring through the winter rain  
And beyond the horizon with mercy for today

#### ***Pre-Chorus 1***

Faithful You have been and faithful You will be  
You pledge Yourself to me and it's why I sing

#### ***Chorus***

**Your praise will ever be on my lips**

**Ever be on my lips**

**Your praise will ever be on my lips**

**Ever be on my lips [Repeat]**

You Father the orphan, Your kindness makes us whole  
You shoulder our weakness  
And Your strength becomes our own  
You're making me like You, clothing me in white  
Bringing beauty from ashes, for You will have Your bride

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***Pre-Chorus 2***

Free of all her guilt, and rid of all her shame  
And known by her true name, and it's why I sing

***Chorus***

**Your praise will ever be on my lips  
Ever be on my lips  
Your praise will ever be on my lips  
Ever be on my lips *[Repeat]***

***Bridge***

You will be praised, You will be praised  
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord  
You will be praised, You will be praised  
With angels and saints we sing worthy are You Lord,  
And it's why I sing ***[Chorus]***

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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. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven:

**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

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## PSALM 47

- <sup>1</sup> O clap your hands together, all you peoples; \*  
O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.
- <sup>2</sup> For the LORD Most High is to be feared; \*  
he is the great King over all the earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He shall subdue the peoples under us, \*  
and the nations under our feet.
- <sup>4</sup> He shall choose our inheritance for us, \*  
the pride of Jacob whom he loved.
- <sup>5</sup> God has gone up with a shout of triumph, \*  
the LORD with the sound of the trumpet.
- <sup>6</sup> O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; \*  
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
- <sup>7</sup> For God is the King of all the earth; \*  
think upon his mighty acts and praise him with  
a song.
- <sup>8</sup> God reigns over the nations; \*  
God sits on his holy throne.
- <sup>9</sup> The princes of the peoples are gathered with the  
people of the God of Abraham; \*  
for the mighty upon earth have become the servants  
of the LORD, and he is very highly exalted.

**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 Acts 1:1-14 (Page 909)

*After the reading the reader says:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE

*All stand.*

***“We Fall Down”***

We fall down, we lay our crowns  
At the feet of Jesus,  
The greatness of mercy and love  
At the feet of Jesus.

***Refrain***

**And we cry holy, holy, holy,  
And we cry holy, holy, holy,  
And we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.**

By Your grace, we come today  
Just to love You, Jesus  
For all our days we'll give You praise,  
You are worthy, Jesus. **[Refrain]**

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## SECOND LESSON

A reading from John 17:1-11 (Page 903)

*After the reading the reader says:*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE

*All stand.*

### **“Lord I Need You”**

Lord I come, I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
And without You I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

#### **Chorus**

**Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You**

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me **[Chorus]**

#### **Bridge**

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay **[Chorus]**

#### **Ending**

**My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You**

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## SHARING – JOHN NORDHAGEN

### 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

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts! *Psalms 96:8*

### OFFERTORY SONG

*All stand.*

**“Ascribe”**

Ascribe unto the Lord  
The glory due His Name  
Ascribe unto the Lord  
The honor and the praise

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***Pre-Chorus***

For He is holy, and He is worthy of  
All of the glory, and all of our love

Ascribe unto the Lord  
The glory due His Name  
Ascribe unto the Lord  
The honor and the praise

***Pre-Chorus***

For He is holy, and He is worthy of  
All of the glory, and all of our love ***[Repeat]***

***Chorus***

**Great and marvelous are Your works oh Lord  
Just and true are all of Your ways in all the earth  
Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End  
Forever we'll praise the Name of the Lord most high**

***[Instrumental]***

***[Chorus]***

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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, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **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**

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone works great marvels: Send down upon our clergy and the congregations committed to their charge the life-giving Spirit of your grace, shower them with the continual dew of your blessing, and ignite in them a zealous love of your Gospel, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

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## MILESTONES

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### RECESSIONAL

*All stand.*

***“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”***

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
His the scepter, his the throne.  
Alleluia! His the triumph,  
His the victory alone.  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood.  
Jesus out of every nation  
Has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! bread of Angels,  
Here on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
Flee to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
Earth's redeemer, plead for me  
Where the songs of all the sinless  
Sweep across the crystal sea.

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Alleluia! King eternal,  
You the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
Earth your footstool, heaven your throne.  
You within the veil have entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest.  
Here on earth both Priest and Victim  
In the Eucharistic Feast.

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## DISMISSAL

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

# THE APPEARANCE OF CHRIST ON THE MOUNTAIN IN GALILEE

*Duccio di Buoninsegna*  
(1255-1319)

"The Appearance of Christ on Mountain in Galilee, detail from Episodes from Christ's Passion and Resurrection, reverse surface of Maesta' of Duccio Altarpiece in Cathedral of Siena by Duccio di Buoninsegna... tempera on wood" (*meisterdrucke.uk*)

"Christ entrusts his disciples with the task of spreading the Gospel throughout the world. Both his hands are raised in an oratorical gesture. The Apostles stand there, calmly listening. Two of them are carrying books, which must have a bearing on their mission as evangelists." (*wga.hu*)

"Duccio di Buoninsegna, commonly known as just Duccio, was an Italian painter active in Siena, Tuscany, in the late 13th and early 14th century. He was hired throughout his life to complete many important works in government and religious buildings around Italy. Duccio is considered one of the greatest Italian painters of the Middle Ages, and is credited with creating the painting styles of Trecento Gothic style and the Sienese school. (*wikipedia.org*)