

Christ Church Grosse Pointe

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 16, 2017 ✕ 10 AM

Welcome to this service of Holy Eucharist at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. We hope that this service will help lift you to the presence of God and strengthen you for the week to come.

Scripture readings are printed in Currents (leaflet insert).

Hymns are found in the red hymnal in your pew.

'S' numbers refer to service music found in the front of the hymnal.

BCP refers to the Book of Common Prayer.

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

VOLUNTARY

CANZONA IN D MINOR, BWV 588

*J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)*

❧ The Entrance Rite ❧

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people stand for the hymn.

HYMN 48

O DAY OF RADIANT GLADNESS

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity, and the people respond Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE



As we wor-ship you to-day, guide us in the Sav-ior's way.
In the heav-en-ly coun-try bright none shall need cre-a-ted light;



And may we with fer-vent prayer, yield our-selves to Je-sus' care.
you, its light, its joy, its crown, you, its sun which goes not down;



Now we give our gifts to you, ta-ke our lives and ma-ke them new.
there up-on you may we ga-ve, off-ring you e-ter-nal praise.

❧ The Word of God ❧

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated for the reading and the Psalm.

THE READING

Isaiah 55:10-13

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 65:9-14

The people stand for the hymn.

The children are invited to gather at the children's cross for the Gospel reading.

HYMN 593

LORD MAKE US SERVANTS OF YOUR PEACE *Dickinson College*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel is read.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Vicki K. Hesse

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

The people stand.

THE NICENE CREED

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with

the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward.

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for (N.). Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in our congregation who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary, saying,

People **O God, our times are in your hand.**

Look with favor, we pray,

on your servants as they begin another year.

Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace,

and strengthen their trust in your goodness

all the days of their lives;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Gospeller Let us confess our sins to God.

The people kneel. A brief period of silence is observed.

People **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Celebrant offers the absolution, and the people respond Amen.

The people stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE CHOIR FOR TRAVEL

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while the offering is collected.

ANTHEM

FAIRE IS THE HEAVEN

*William H. Harris
(1883-1973)*

Faire, faire is the heaven
Where happy soules have place
In full enjoyment of felicitie;
Whence they doe still behold the glorious face
Of the Divine Eternall Majestie;
Yet farre more faire be those bright Cherubins
Which all with golden wings are overdight.
And those eternall burning Seraphins
Which from their faces dart out fiery light;
Yet fairer than they both and much more bright,
Be the Angels and Archangels
Which attend on God's owne person without rest or end.
These then in faire each other farre excelling
As to the Highest they approach more neare,
Yet is that Highest farre beyond all telling
Fairer than all the rest which there appeare.
Though all their beauties joynd together were;
How then can mortall tongue hope to expresse
The image of such endlesse perfectnesse.

Edmund Spenser

The people stand as the gifts are presented.

Children and their parents are invited to follow the children's cross and to sit in the Chancel between the choir stalls. They return to their seats for Communion.

HYMN 304, vs. 1, 3

I COME WITH JOY TO MEET MY LORD

Land of Rest

❧ The Holy Communion ❧

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer, EOW 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS - S 129

The people kneel or remain standing as the Celebrant gives thanks for the reconciling work of Christ through his passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

