



Welcome to worship at Christ Church Cathedral!

The People's responses are in **bold** print.

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Land Acknowledgment for the Diocese of Missouri (updated July 2022)

In humility, we recognize and acknowledge that we in the Diocese of Missouri worship and live on the traditional ancestral lands of the Osage Nation, the Illiniwek/Peoria Tribe, the O-Gah-Pah (Quapaw) Tribe, the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, and other First Peoples. We recognize our mutual dependence upon and benefit from this land; we proclaim our solidarity with and our debt to the Peoples who first claimed and improved this land as their home. We acknowledge our complicity in the process of colonization that dispossessed the First Peoples from their ancestral lands. We affirm our commitment to stand with indigenous communities today and henceforth as they seek justice and resist continued threats to their sovereignty and humanity.

We are also cognizant that the history of The Episcopal Church is intertwined with the history of colonialism and slavery in the United States. More than four centuries ago, the first enslaved Africans were brought to the Americas, and two centuries ago enslaved and indigenous persons contributed to the exploration of this state by Lewis and Clark. Our state's history is entangled with both the Missouri Compromise making this state officially a slave state, and the cases of *Scott v. Emerson* that petitioned for Dred and Harriet Scott's emancipation. We acknowledge the tragic legacy of slavery in our diocese, and the blood, sweat, and tears of enslaved people that soak the earth beneath our feet in Missouri. This legacy persists today as we continue to work towards racial justice, equity, liberation, and community, here in Missouri and across The Episcopal Church.

PRELUDE *Melody in D*, by Paul Fey

WELCOME!

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Presider Let us gather ourselves into Christ's presence with a moment of silence.

Moment of silence to open our hearts.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

All **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECTS OF THE DAY

Presider God is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Presider Loving God, when you called each of us into being, you delighted in your works. You gifted us with differences that illuminate the breadth of beauty, wisdom, and practices of love in your creation. In whatever ways we still struggle to accept and celebrate our own unique offerings, free us from narrow thinking that confines, constrains, or condemns your good work in us. Help all of us to see in every person, your very self, affirming and embracing the expressions of your diversity in every person. **Amen.**

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

THE FIRST READING *Please be seated.*

Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Reader Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to God's People.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM OF THE DAY: 89:1-4, 15-18 *Prayed responsively by verse.*

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *

you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

'I will establish your line for ever, *

and preserve your throne for all generations.'"

Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *

they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

They rejoice daily in your Name; *

they are jubilant in your righteousness.

For you are the glory of their strength, *

and by your favor our might is exalted.

Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *

the Holy One of Israel is our King.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and

present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

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

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

Deacon Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Justin Martin

Moment for silent reflection

THE NICENE CREED *Please stand as you are able.*

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

Deacon Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Leader Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all persons: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O Divine Creator, to all bishops and other ministers including Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, Presiding Bishop, Deon, our bishop; Kathie, our dean; and the staff and Chapter of our Cathedral. In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis and Kathie, their Dean; Justin their Deacon; Jeff their Associated Priest; and Carol, their Social Worker. In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for St. Luke's Episcopal Medical Center. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa. In the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, we pray for our chaplains, military members, their families, and for those serving in South Carolina. We pray for the people of the diocese and our cathedral congregation as we live into God's call, that we all may, both by our life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially our president, governor, legislators, mayor, judges and court officials, and all in authority, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O God of Hosts, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, including the people of Venezuela, the Middle East, Cuba, Ukraine, Russia, Haiti, Sudan, and Libya; our tornado affected neighbors, immigrant and trans siblings; the Burchell, Funkhouser, Klein, Scott, Kaufmann, Link, Denkmann, and England families, Helen, Tom, Noah, Verna, Myrna, Karen, Ethan, Mary, Dan, Tim, Elizabeth, Susan & Gary, Rosie, Linda, Huldah, Dannie, Marjie, George, Canon Desirée, Laura, Marjorie, Adele, Thelma & Raymond, Kathy, Michael, Warren; all in prison and their families; those affected by violence and oppression in all forms.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, including at the hand or in the custody of DHS, all slain in Sudan, the Middle East, and Ukraine; Jonathan Edgar Burchell, Ted Funkhouser, William Roland Klein, Mary Ann Scott, Phil Kaufmann, Kelly Link, Arthur Denkmann, those 57 lives taken by gun violence in the city of St. Louis in 2026 represented in the light of the small candles on the high altar and all who die at the hand of another, or by their own hand. We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O God, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The priest may add one of the following:

Presider Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

- God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. [John 3:16]
- This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. [1 Timothy 1:15]
- If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. [1 John 2:1-2]
- Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. [Matthew 11:28]

THE PEACE

All stand.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

The ministers and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERTORY SENTENCES

THE OFFERTORY

Presider All things come of thee, O Christ.

People **And of thine own, have we given thee.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION: THE GREAT THANKSGIVING II

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O holy, almighty, and everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is the one that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

Presider All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. Jesus made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in the holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O God of Hosts, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance Christ's blessed passion and precious death, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful God, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy divine goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also, that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O God Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to pray,
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

The Presider breaks the Bread; a period of silence is kept.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

All **We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Communion will be distributed in both kinds (bread and wine) at the head of the center aisle.
Remember to take your purse/personal belongings with you when leaving your seat for communion.*

Presider Let us pray.
All **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our**

Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O Ancient of Days, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people as a reminder of God's extravagant love.

Presider Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, bless you for evermore. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Deracon Our worship has ended. Our service in the world begins anew. Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love to serve all God's beloved people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Improvisation by C. Scott on *Somewhere Over the Rainbow* from *The Wizard of Oz*, sung by Judy Garland, by Harold Arlen

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