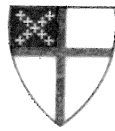


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Prelude

Opening Hymn

### Light The Fire

Revised 2/25/05

INTRO: [G Am C G D / G Am C G D]

REFRAIN:

[G Am C  
LIGHT THE FIRE  
DESCANT: LIGHT THE FIRE  
G D  
IN MY SOUL,  
IN MY WEAR--  
G Am C  
FAN THE FLAME  
--Y SOUL, FAN THE FLAME  
G D  
MAKE ME WHOLE,  
MAKE MY SPIR--  
G Am C  
LORD, YOU KNOW  
--IT WHOLE, LORD YOU KNOW...  
G D  
WHERE I'VE BEEN,  
WHERE I'VE BEEN,  
G C D G CG  
SO LIGHT THE FIRE IN MY HEART AGAIN.  
SO LIGHT THE FIRE IN MY HEART AGAIN.

VERSE 1:

G Bm C D  
I STAND TO PRAISE YOU, BUT I FALL ON MY KNEES;  
G Bm C D  
MY SPIRIT IS HUNGRY, BUT MY FLESH IS SO WEAK. (REFRAIN)

VERSE 2:

G Bm  
I FEEL YOUR ARMS AROUND ME,  
F C D  
AS THE POWER OF YOUR HEALING BEGINS;  
G Bm  
YOU BREATHE NEW LIFE RIGHT THROUGH ME,  
C D  
LIKE A MIGHTY RUSHING WIND. (REFRAIN)

END: ACAPELLA ON REFRAIN, EXCEPT: SO LIGHT THE FIRE IN MY HEART AGAIN  
G C D G CG

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Opening Salutation Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
Response The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

All

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.*

TRISAGION (sung 3 times)

(Bridge)

[D] Em A7 D D7 G Em D A7 D (A7)  
HOLY GOD, HOLY AND MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL ONE, HAVE MERCY UPON US.  
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Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People And also with you.  
Celebrant Let us pray.

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.*

## The Lessons

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

#### Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 67 (Unison)

**1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \***

**show us the light of his countenance and come to us.**

**2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \***

**your saving health among all nations.**

**3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \***

**let all the peoples praise you.**

**4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \***

**for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.**

**5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \***

**let all the peoples praise you.**

**6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \***

**may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

**7 May God give us his blessing, \***

**and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.**

### A Reading from the Revelation of John

#### Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## The Nicene Creed

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

From *Praying the Scriptures, Litanies for Sunday Worship*

*Jeremiah D. Williamson*

Sisters and brothers, do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.  
The God of peace has prepared for us such good things as surpass our understanding,  
so let us rejoice, saying, "Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**"

By the gift and power of the Holy Spirit, teach your Church to walk in the ways of  
Jesus. May the gospel be found in our minds, in our hearts, and on our lips.  
*silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and  
guide all the nations upon earth. We look for the day, O God, when all the peoples  
gather around your throne in praise and worship.  
*silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

O God from whom all good proceeds: bless the earth to bring forth her increase.  
Guide all your people to honor you by caring for your creation.  
*silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

Give to our city, O God, your peace. Shine the light of your love on those places that  
are plagued by gangs and violence, hatred and sadness. Be merciful to us and bless us.  
*silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

Almighty God, let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations. Give to the sick and suffering a taste of the water of life. We remember especially Kathy Armstrong, Caty Carter, Wayne Cook, Bev Cowart, SJ Denmark, Janet Dickman, Marge Fitzsimons, Laura Paine, David Perkins, and Mary Thieme, *silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

Grant us, O God, by your great mercy, entrance into your heavenly city where we might worship at your throne, see you face to face, and reign with you forever and ever.  
*silence*

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**Let all the peoples praise you.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask:  
Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**The Peace**

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

*Revised 2/28/05*

## May the Road (an Irish Blessing)

SLOW  
INTRO: A → D STRAIGHT INTO SONG

(A) D G D  
MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU  
F#M EM G  
MAY THE WIND BE ALWAYS AT YOUR BACK  
A A7 D  
MAY THE SUN SHINE WARM UPON YOUR FACE  
G A BM  
AND THE RAIN FALL SOFT UPON YOUR FIELDS  
G  
AND UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN  
A  
MAY GOD HOLD YOU  
G D  
IN THE HOLLOW OF HIS HANDS.

END ON D

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## Offertory

# Prince Of Peace (You are Holy)

[CAPO 2]

<b>D</b> You are holy (ECHO)	<b>G</b> You are mighty (ECHO)
<b>Em</b> You are worthy (ECHO)	<b>G</b> Worthy of praise (ECHO)
<b>D</b> I will follow (ECHO)	<b>G</b> I will listen (ECHO)
<b>Em</b> I will love You (ECHO)	All of my days (ECHO)

### Chorus 1 (girls)

You are Lord of lords	<b>G</b>
You are King of kings	<b>A</b>
You are mighty God	<b>Bm</b>
Lord of everything	<b>D</b>
You're Emmanuel	<b>G</b>
You're the Great I Am	<b>A</b>
You're the Prince of Peace	<b>Bm</b>
Who is the Lamb	<b>D</b>
You're the living God	<b>G</b>
You're my saving grace	<b>A</b>
You will reign forever	<b>Bm</b>
You are Ancient of Days	<b>D</b>
You are Alpha Omega	<b>G</b>
Beginning and End	<b>A</b>
You're my Savior Messiah	<b>Bm</b>
Redeemer and Friend	<b>E</b>

### Chorus 2 (guys)

I will sing to
And worship
The King who
Is worthy
And I will love and
Adore Him
And I will bow down
Before Him
And I will sing to
And worship
The King who
Is worthy
And I will love and
Adore Him
And I will bow down
Before Him

Together again You're my Prince of Peace and I will live my life for You

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## The Holy Communion

### Eucharistic Prayer D

The Lord be with you.  
**People And also with you.**  
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.  
**People We lift them to the Lord.**  
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

### SANCTUS (SCHOLTES)

(all sing Holy, Holy twice)

[**G A A D Bm**]  
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD, GOD OF POWER, OF POWER AND MIGHT;

**Em A D**  
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.

(Guys continue singing Holy, Holy..., Girls continue with Hosanna...)

**G A D Bm**  
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

**Em A D**  
BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.

(All sing Holy, Holy once)

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We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

#### **OUR FATHER (THE LORD'S PRAYER)**

[Em. D Em] B7 Em  
OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME;  
D Em B7 Em D Em  
YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IN HEAVN.  
Am Em  
GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD.  
Am Em Am B7  
FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US.  
Em D Em B7 Em  
SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL, AND DELIVER US FROM EVIL.  
Am Em Am B7 Em  
FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER, AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS, NOW AND FOR EVER.  
D Em  
A—MEN.

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## The Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

### ALLELUIA, CHRIST OUR PASSEVER (FRACTION ANTHEM)

[Dm] A A7 Dm (Dm) A A7 Dm Bb C F A7  
 AL—LE—LU—IA, CHRIST OUR PASS—O—VER IS SACRIFICED FOR US;  
 Dm A A7 Dm (Dm) A A7 Dm Bb C D D7  
 THEREFORE LET US — AL—LE—LU—IA — LET US KEEP THE FEAST.

G C Am D7 C G  
 ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA,

(G) C Am D7 C G  
 ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

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## The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Communion Hymns

*Revised 5/13/03*

### Sanctuary/We Exalt Thee

SLOW 4

INTRO: [D/A/G/D/A]

#### VERSE 1:

[D A] GUYS: LORD PREPARE ME.....TO BE A SANCTUARY  
 GIRLS: (LORD PREPARE ME.....TO BE A SANCTUARY)  
 PURE AND HOLY.....TRIED AND TRUE.....  
 (PURE AND HOLY, TRIED AND TRUE...)  
 WITH THANKSGIVING.....I'LL BE A LIVING  
 (WITH THANKSGIVING.....I'LL BE A LIVING)  
 SANCTUARY..... FOR YOU  
 (SANCTUARY....FOR YOU)

(REPEAT VERSE 1)

#### VERSE 2:

D WE EXALT THEE  
 (WE EXALT THEE)  
 A WE EXALT THEE  
 (WE EXALT THEE)  
 G A D A WE EXALT THEE, O LORD  
 (O LORD)  
 D WE EXALT THEE (WE EXALT THEE)  
 A WE EXALT THEE (WE EXALT THEE)  
 G A D WE EXALT THEE, O LORD

(REPEAT VERSE 1)

END ON D

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# Oh Lord You're Beautiful

SLOW 4  
INTRO: TWO MEASURES OF C

## VERSE 1:

C F C G  
O LORD, YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL,  
C F C G  
YOUR FACE IS ALL I SEEK.  
AM E C G AM  
AND WHEN YOUR EYES ARE ON THIS CHILD  
F G F C  
YOUR GRACE ABOUNDS TO ME.

## VERSE 2:

C F C G  
O LORD, YOU'RE WONDERFUL,  
C F C G  
YOUR TOUCH IS ALL I NEED.  
AM E C G AM  
AND WHEN YOUR HAND IS ON THIS CHILD  
F G F C  
YOUR HEALING I RECEIVE.

## VERSE 3:

C F C G  
O LORD, PLEASE LIGHT THE FIRE  
C F C G  
THAT ONCE BURNED BRIGHT AND CLEAR  
AM E C G AM  
REPLACE THE LAMP OF MY FIRST LOVE  
F G F C  
THAT BURNED WITH HOLY FEAR.

(REPEAT VERSE 1 ACAPELLA)

## Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

**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.**

## The Blessing

## Hymn

# The River is Here

Revised 7/13/05

INTRO: [C / G / D / G x 2]  
FAST; WITH HAND MOTIONS ON CHORUS

### VERSE 1

[C G D G  
DOWN THE MOUNTAIN THE RIVER FLOWS  
C G D G]  
AND IT BRINGS REFRESHING WHEREVER IT GOES  
C G D G  
THROUGH THE VALLEYS AND OVER THE FIELDS  
C G D G  
THE RIVER IS RUSHING AND THE RIVER IS HERE

### CHORUS

G C G  
THE RIVER OF GOD SETS OUR FEET A-DANCING  
D G  
THE RIVER OF GOD FILLS OUR HEARTS WITH CHEER  
C G  
THE RIVER OF GOD FILLS OUR MOUTHS WITH LAUGHTER (HA HA)  
C G D G C G D G  
AND WE REJOICE FOR THE RIVER IS HERE.

### VERSE 2

C G D G  
THE RIVER OF GOD IS TEEMING WITH LIFE  
C G D G  
AND ALL WHO TOUCH IT CAN BE REVIVED  
C G D G  
AND THOSE WHO LINGER ON THIS RIVER'S SHORE  
C G D G  
WILL COME BACK THIRSTING FOR MORE OF THE LORD. (CHORUS)

### VERSE 3

C G D G  
UP TO THE MOUNTAIN WE LOVE TO GO  
C G D G  
TO FIND THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD  
C G D G  
ALONG THE BANKS OF THE RIVER WE RUN  
C G D G  
WE DANCE WITH LAUGHTER GIVING PRAISE TO THE SON (CHORUS)

END: SING CHORUS TWICE; END ON G

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## Dismissal

Response **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

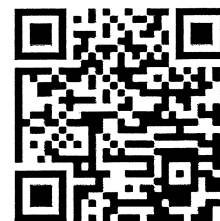
## Postlude

### Special Notes

**Thank you to our Christ Church Youth** - We would like to extend a big thank you to all the youth who helped make today's service meaningful and special for all. Please join us the Parish Hall immediately following the service to thank our youth, their parents, and Molly our Youth Minister at a Brunch hosted by the Middle Adults.

**Congratulations to our High-School Seniors** – Christ Church would like to extend our congratulations to our graduating high-school seniors: Hayden Lee Coggins, Cassidy Spencer Honeycutt, John Robert Backe, II. We wish you God's blessings on your future endeavors.

**Live-streaming** will now be broadcast simultaneously on Facebook and YouTube. If there are technical difficulties where one of the platforms fails to live-stream, we will upload a recording of the service as soon as possible. Thank you to our Live-stream committee for all your hard work.



**Vacation Bible School** has been scheduled for Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 9-12. Theme is “Summer Camp for Jesus”. For registration, scan the QR code, click on the link: <https://form.jotform.com/221233810817146> or go to the Christ Church Website home page to register for VBS. Volunteers to help with V.B.S. are needed. Please let Keri Wilkin know if you are willing to assist. 229-412-5630

**LEM's, Lectors, Acolytes, Ushers:** EYC Youth

**Brunch Hosts:** Middle Adults Group

**Live-stream Crew** – Julius Ariail, Larry Wisenbaker

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