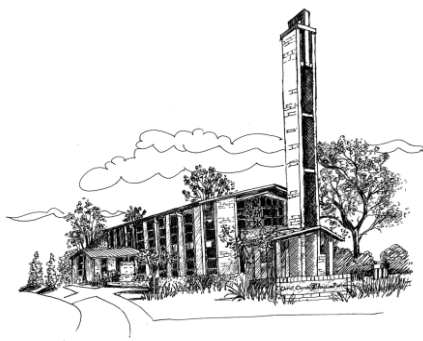


# CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA



**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2021**

*Third Sunday after Pentecost*

(Proper 6)



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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend, BWV 726 & 709 - J.S.Bach*

*(Lord Jesus Christ, turn to us; send us your Holy spirit, and  
may your grace direct and lead us into the truth)*

INTROIT HYMN 143 (vv1,3,5)

Tune: ST DENIO

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.
- 3 You give life to all Lord, to both great and small;  
in all life now living, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,  
then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.
- 5 All praise we would render: reveal to our sight  
What hides you is only the splendour of light;  
and so let your glory, Almighty, impart  
through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

*Walter Chalmers Smith (1824–190)8 alt.*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
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.**

### **Confession & Absolution**

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us therefore bring our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Kyrie eleison (said at 7am, sung at 9am)*

**Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Gloria (said at 7am, sung at 9am)*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Collect**

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Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you:

mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

*(The exclusive use of male pronouns to denote the Devine (other than the person of Jesus) is a convention adopted by the translators. This incorrectly associates God with maleness and maleness with God. Please feel free to replace 'he' with a pronoun of your choice)*

## Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 17.22-24

*Reader: A reading from the Book of Ezekiel*

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Hear the word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 92.1-4, 12-15** (*sung by the choir at 9am*)

Chant - CROTCH

How good to give thanks to the Lord:  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High,  
To declare your love in the morning:  
and at night to sing of your faithfulness,  
Upon the lute, upon the lute of ten strings:  
and to the melody of the lyre.

For in all you have done, O Lord, you have made me glad:  
I will sing for joy because of the works of your hands.

The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree:  
they shall spread abroad like a cedar in Lebanon;  
For they are planted in the house of the Lord:  
and flourish in the courts of our God.

In old age they shall be full of sap:  
they shall be sturdy and laden with branches;  
and they will say that the Lord is just:  
the Lord my Rock, in whom is no unrighteousness.

## New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 5.14-17

*Reader: A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians*

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord – for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died.

And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Hear the word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN 402 (t.124)

Tune: WAREHAM

- 1 Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly dove,  
with light and comfort from above;  
come, be our guardian and our guide;  
o'er every thought and step preside.
- 2 The light of truth to us display  
and make us know and choose your way;  
plant holy fear in every heart,  
that we from God may not depart.
- 3 Lead us to Christ, the living Way,  
nor let us from his pastures stray:  
lead us to holiness, the road  
that we must take to dwell with God.

4 Lead us to heaven, that we may share  
fullness of joy for ever there;  
lead us to God, our final rest,  
to be with him for ever blest.

*Simon Browne (1680–1732) alt.*

### *The Gospel Acclamation*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - - - le - lu - ia.

Choir/ALL: Alleluia, **alleluia, alleluia.**

Choir: *I call you friends, says the Lord because I have  
made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.*

Choir/ALL: Alleluia, **alleluia, alleluia.**

### **The HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 4.26-34

The Lord be with you,  
**And also with you.**

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Sermon:**        The Venerable Valerie Hoare

## **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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who 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

*Please pray for:*

*Jarman, Phillip, Julia, Gwenda, Darrel, Fr. David, Sophie, Michelle, Zoe & Merle.*

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

*The prayers conclude with the Lord's Prayer:*

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

**His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*We all exchange a COVID safe sign of peace.*



- 1 Father, we give you thanks, who planted  
Your Holy name within our hearts.  
Knowledge and faith and life immortal  
Jesus your Son to us imparts.
- 2 Lord, you have made all for your pleasure,  
and giv'n us food for all our days,  
giving in Christ the bread eternal;  
yours is the power, be yours the praise.
- 3 Over your church, Lord, watch in mercy,  
save it from evil, guard it still,  
perfect it in your love, unite it,  
cleansed and conforming to your will.
- 4 As grain, once scattered on the hillsides,  
was in the broken bread made one,  
so may your world-wide church be gathered  
into your kingdom by your Son.

*From the Didache c.110  
tr. Francis Bland Tucker (1895–1984) alt.*

*The Prayer over the gifts*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and this wine,  
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them  
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
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.'

After supper, he took the cup  
and again giving you thanks  
he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.'

In faith we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Christ has died;**

**Christ is risen;**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father,  
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

As this broken bread was once many grains,  
which have been gathered together and made one bread:  
**so may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

*Agnus Dei* (sung by all at 9am)

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world: grant us your peace.**

## THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Communicant Christians of other church traditions  
are invited also to receive Communion.*

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ORGAN: *Expresions No.1 - Jean Langlais (1907-1991)*

CHOIR: *God, your glory we have seen in your Son - Jean Langlais (1907-91)*

*God, your glory we have seen in your Son,  
full of truth, full of heavenly grace;  
in Christ make us live, his love shine on our face,  
and the nations shall see in us the triumph you have won.*

In the fields of this world his good news he has sown,  
and send us out to reap till the harvest is done. *Refrain*

In his love like a fire that consumes he passed by,  
the flame has touched our lips: let us shout, 'Here am I!' *Refrain*

He was broken for us, God-forsaken his cry,  
and still the bread he breaks: to ourselves we must die. *Refrain*

He has trampled the grapes of new life on his cross;  
now drink the cup and live: he has filled it for us. *Refrain*

He has founded a kingdom that none shall destroy;  
the corner-stone is laid: go to work, build with joy! *Refrain*

**Post-Communion Sentence** *(sung by the choir at 9am)*

One thing I seek:  
to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

## The SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Bountiful God,  
at this table you graciously feed us  
with the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.  
May we who have reached out our hands to receive this sacrament  
be strengthened in your service;  
we who have sung your praises  
tell of your glory and truth in our lives;  
we who have seen the greatness of your love  
see you face to face in your kingdom  
and come to worship you with all your saints for ever.

Most loving God,  
**you send us into the world you love.**  
**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage**  
**In the power of your Spirit.**

### THANKSGIVING HYMN 531

Tune: THE ASH GROVE

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from his table take leave.  
The supper is ended: may now be extended  
the fruits of his service in all who believe.  
The seed of his teaching, our hungry souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for all humankind.  
His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us  
to work for his kingdom, his purpose to find.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living  
the tasks of our everyday life we will face,  
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing as neighbours all those of each race.  
One feast that has fed us, one light that has led us,  
unite us as one in his life that we share.  
Then may all the living, with praise and thanksgiving,  
give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

*Omer Westendorf (1916-97) alt.*

## THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
**In the name of Christ.**

POSTLUDE: *Prelude & Fugue in G, BWV 550 - J.S.Bach (1685-1750)*

*Today's Mass Setting: RUTTER*

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*Services on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June (Fourth Sunday after Pentecost)*

*Preacher: The Venerable Valerie Hoare*

*Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7am & 9am*

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