

Christ Episcopal Church Roxbury, Connecticut

Third Sunday after Pentecost and Blessing of the Roofs

26 June 2022, 9:00 AM

## Ringing of the Bells

At ten minutes before the hour, the altar candles are lit noting the traditional beginning of silent prayer and preparation for the liturgy, as aided by a musical prelude. Please silence electronic devices.

**Prelude**Minuet of Christian Petzold from the Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach
of Johann Sebastian Bach

Welcome The Rev. Stephen Nagy

## THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn Christ Is Made A Sure Foundation Hymn 518, vv. 1 & 4

Tune: Westminster Abbey

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And Blessed by God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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.** 

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself: We praise and bless you for those whom you have sent in the power of the Spirit to preach the Gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth a community of love has been gathered together by their prayers and labors, and that in every place your servants call upon your Name; for the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours for ever. Amen.\*

#### The Lessons

A Reading from the First Book of Kings (1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21) Read by Deb Howes

The LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16 Led by Deb Howes

In unison

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \* I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.

<sup>\*</sup> From "A Season of Prayer for Revival" by The Episcopal Church and Forward Movement

- 3 But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \* my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \* nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; \*
  in your presence there is fullness of joy,
  and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians (5:1,13-25)\*

Read by Deb Howes

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

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<sup>\*</sup> NRSV Updated Edition

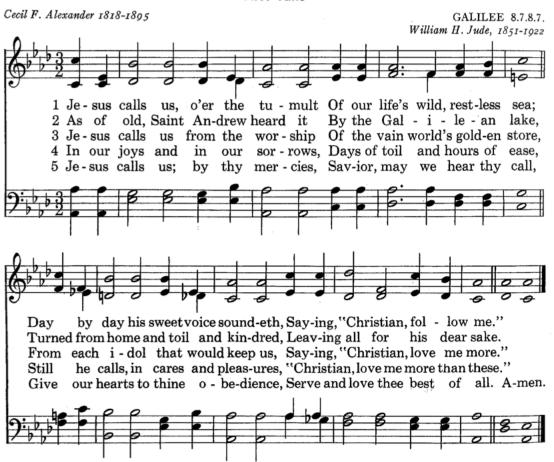
By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn vv. 1, 2 & 5





The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke (9:51-62)

# People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to

command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Rev. Stephen Nagy

#### The Nicene Creed

In unison; please stand as able

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 worshipped 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 (Based on Form I)

Led by Judy Martinez

Please stand or kneel as able

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

Silence

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, we pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our presiding bishop, Ian and Laura our bishops, Jeffrey our bishop-elect, Stephen our priest, for all Christ Church's ministers who serve the Gospel in word and deed, we pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of governmental authority, that they may find their calling in your wisdom, justice and mercy, we pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the well-being of the people of Roxbury, and for those in all the places in which we live and work, we pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, we pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, we pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

For an end to the war in Ukraine and all places beset by the violence of one group of people against another, we pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For an end to the violence and polarization that plague our communities, that we may feel your love for us, and that we may be guided by your call to love our neighbor and by the desire for your peace, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and oppressed, the aged and infirm, the sick and the suffering, prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Gracious God, we pray for those for whom prayers have been requested: Betty, Carolyn, Jennifer, Mary, Meg, Stephen, Lisbet, Alex, Alice, Bill, Bronwyn, Danielle, Deke, Don, James, Jeff, Jim, John, Kevin, Robert, Roger, Ronda, Heather, Dominic, Stella and Tim.

We also now bring before you the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Please add your own petitions, silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord.

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Please add your own thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

#### **Confession of Sin**

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Please stand as able. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please remain in your pew and greet each warmly and safely.

Announcements (Also see last two pages of service bulletin)

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

Hymn 301

Tune: Rendez à Dieu

During the offertory hymn, the ushers will collect your gifts and bring them before God's Holy Table. The Celebrant receives the gifts saying

All things come from you O Lord.

People And of your own have we given you.

Doxology Hymn 380 vs. 3, Tune: Old Hundredth

# The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people stand. The Celebrant faces them and says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People sing together

#### Sanctus

Service Music S-130; Setting: Schubert

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

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

People and Celebrant

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung

#### **Fraction Anthem**

Service Music S-155; Setting: Near

The ushers will invite you to come forward to receive in a single queue. Please maintain a safe distance. You may receive either just the bread, or the bread dipped into the chalice of wine by the minister. Please let the minister know which you prefer. Gluten free wafers are also available. You may return to your seat by the side aisles.

If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn

Day by Day

Hymn 654; Tune: Sumner

#### **After Communion**

The Celebrant says

Let us Pray.

Celebrant and People

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people

The Lord bless you and keep you. Amen.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. Amen.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

The Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the holy and undivided Trinity, guard you, save you, and bring you to that heavenly City, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Recessional Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

Hymn 525, vv. 1-4 Tune: Aurelia

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

The Postlude of Robert Volkmann

Please join us outside for the Blessing of the Roofs

## THE BLESSING OF THE ROOFS

The Celebrant says

Through the ages, Almighty God has moved his people to build houses of prayer and praise, and to set apart places for the ministry of his holy Word and Sacraments. With gratitude for the new roofs on Christ Church's sanctuary and parish hall, let us dedicate and consecrate them in God's Name. (adapted from Book of Common Prayer, p. 567)

### Read by Deb Howes

#### A Reading for the Book of Isaiah (25:1,4)

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

#### The Celebrant continues

Let us pray.

Dearest Lord, we thank you for the gift of shelter from the elements. Under these roofs, we celebrate your many blessings and praise your name in word and song. We rejoice and weep and hold each other in love. We hope in your certain kingdom, in which your church is not an earthly building, but a spiritual house built up of the living stones of your people with Christ as our one foundation.

Those representing the parish leadership then say

Thank you for the financial generosity of those who have made possible these roofs.

Thank you for the grant from Preservation Connecticut.

Thank you for those who gave of their time and talent to evaluate, secure and manage the vendors, and to apply for the grant.

Thank you for the skilled laborers of Weathertite Roofing, and all involved in providing the materials that are a now a part of our sanctuary and parish hall.

## All now say

As this church has been a home for the saints who came before us, as it is our home today, may it become a home to all who seek the love and salvation you offer through Jesus Christ, both now and in generations to come.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Water is now blessed and sprinkled on the roofs.

# Ringing of the Bells

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#### **Announcements**

**Christ Church Roxbury Summerfest**: See flyer on the back of this page. Post it on your fridge!

**First up: Field Trip to** <u>Institute for American Indian Studies</u> in Washington CT after coffee hour today. Come explore the stories of our First Peoples at this acclaimed museum just up the road.

Enjoy **fellowship and coffee** in the Parish Hall after worship. Covid safety please.

Join the **Red Door Welcome Team**. Please reach out to Stephen, Anissa or Stephen.

Become an **Altar Guild minister**! Reach out to Barbara, Millie or Meg to learn more about this holy and fun ministry.

The **Flower List** is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Nothing fancy required! Remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion. Reach out to Millie Snowden for information.

**Tech Team Ministry:** Have ideas for how to improve our website, Facebook page and streaming services? Please reach out to Pastor Stephen.

#### Thank you to our ministers today

Organist & Music Director: Mr. Gregory J. Cava
Lay Minister: Judy Martinez
Lector: Deb Howes
Ushers: Anissa Roy, Stephen Durr, Stephen Page
Altar Guild: Barbara Spencer, Millie Snowden, Meg Mongin, Cynthia Willett
Technical Support: Lisa Martland, Dona Murphy
Chandeliere: Mike Snowden

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The Right Reverend Ian Douglas, Bishop Diocesan The Right Reverend Laura J. Ahrens, Bishop Suffragan



# Christ Church Roxbury SUMMERFEST 2022

Fun & Formation for All

Sunday June 26 11:00 AM

Sundays at Coffee Hour, Starting July 10

Sunday July 17 9:00 AM

Friday July 29 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Sunday September 4 10:30 AM

Saturday October 8 10:00 AM **Field Trip** to Institute for American Indian Studies in Washington CT

**Stump the priest**. Bring your favorite questions and topics to Pastor Stephen's table. Never a dull moment as we explore the mysteries of our faith.

**Outdoor Eucharist** and potluck extended coffee hour/brunch

**Friday night social!** Pizza, ice cream and entertainment. Bring your friends and neighbors to just chat and relax. In the (air conditioned) Parish Hall.

Joint service and picnic with Roxbury Congregational Church, Pavilion at Hurlburt Park

Blessing of the Animals on our lawn