

## HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II

VOLUNTARY

Aria

Charles Callahan  
(b. 1951)

### The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION (*BCP, p. 355*)

SONG OF PRAISE 409 – The spacious firmament on high

*Creation*

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 FIRST LESSON – Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him-- though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

PSALM 66:7-18

7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

8 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
and will not allow our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; \*  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;  
we went through fire and water; \*  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings  
and will pay you my vows, \*  
which I promised with my lips  
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts  
with the smoke of rams; \*  
I will give you oxen and goats.

14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

15 I called out to him with my mouth, \*  
and his praise was on my tongue.

16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
the LORD would not have heard me;

17 But in truth God has heard me; \*  
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
nor withheld his love from me.

THE SECOND LESSON – 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

THE GOSPEL LESSON – John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.”

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

SERMON – The Reverend Dolores Nicholson

*A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.*

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP, p. 358*)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV (*BCP, p. 388*)

THE PEACE

### The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

HYMN 705 – As those of old their first fruits brought

*Forest Green*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Eucharistic Prayer A, p. 361*)

Sanctus S 129

Robert Powell

The Lord’s Prayer (*BCP, p. 364*)

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ Our Passover S 154

David Hurd

*All baptized Christians are invited to the Lord’s Altar.  
Please follow the direction of the ushers in order to receive Communion.  
Those who wish to receive the Laying on of Hands and Anointing  
may proceed to the chapel after receiving Communion.*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (*BCP, p. 365*)

BLESSING

HYMN 405 – All things bright and beautiful

*Royal Oak*

DISMISSAL

ALTAR GUILD – Ruth Rock, Elise McMillan, Adam Hutson  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER – George Paine  
EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR – Jon Stanley  
FLOWER GUILD – Debby Koch, Sharon Noe  
GREETERS – Kathy Morton, Walker Willse  
LECTORS – Edgar Allen, Pete Stringer, Sandra Aud  
SACRISTAN – Rob Barrick  
STEPHEN MINISTER – Debbie Webster  
USHERS – Teddie Clark, Don Dawson  
WAYFARERS – Fletch and Bill Coke

## Today

8:45-9:45 a.m. **Breakfast** (Cheek Hall)

9:00-9:30 a.m. **Simply Centering**  
Led by John Wellborn (Chapel)

### PRAYERS

**Today we pray for** Will Chappell, Roberta LaBour, Ellie Teal, Ben Caldwell, Mama Lou, Fred Allison, Gertrude Caldwell, Josiah Paul, Theodore Morford, Dorothy Nettles, Ginny Griffith, Elliott, Sharon, Brandi, Dee Thompson, and Peter Fyfe. **We pray also for those who have died, especially** Glen Shealy, Jane Simmons, mother of Bill Simmons, and Sally Schenker.

**Oasis Center** (one of the agencies the Cathedral supports) offers Middle Tennessee's only continuum of services for youth ages 13-21 who are in crisis, have run away, or are experiencing homelessness.

### FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God in honor of Debby and Bill Koch who were married at Christ Church 29 years ago today, and by John Bridges in memory of Franklin Brooks.

### WELCOME!

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. Page numbers refer to the *Book of Common Prayer*, which is the red book located in the rack on the back of the pew in front of you. *The Hymnal* is the blue book. A church member will be happy to answer questions about worship at Christ Church Cathedral and your opportunities for fellowship, education, and servant ministry. Please complete a Visitor's Card and leave it with an usher or place it in the alms basin. You may also visit our website, [christcathedral.org](http://christcathedral.org), to learn more about our parish. Thank you for visiting us today!

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, May 25

6 *Easter/Summer Worship Schedule Begins*  
8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
8:45-9:45 a.m. – Breakfast  
9:00-9:30 a.m. – Simply Centering  
10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:15 a.m. – Coffee Minute

### MONDAY, May 26

*Cathedral office closed for Memorial Day Holiday*

### TUESDAY, May 27

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist  
2:00 p.m. – Staff Meeting  
5:30 p.m. – Centering Prayer  
6:30 p.m. – EFM

### WEDNESDAY, May 28

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
8:30 a.m. – EFM  
11:00 a.m. – Bible Study  
12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist  
6:00 p.m. – Young Adult Book Group

### THURSDAY, May 29

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
12:15 p.m. – Centering Prayer  
12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

### FRIDAY, May 30

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist  
5:00 p.m. – Wedding Rehearsal

### SATURDAY, May 31

11:00 a.m. – Wedding

### SUNDAY, June 1

7 *Easter*  
8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
8:45-9:45 a.m. – Breakfast  
9:00-9:30 a.m. – Simply Centering  
10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:15 a.m. – Coffee Minute

## CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL ORDER OF WORSHIP



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 25, 2014  
8:00 a.m.

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Cathedral Parish of the  
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### FOR SUNDAY, MAY 25 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

#### CELEBRANT

The Reverend Joshua M. Caler, *Curate*

#### PREACHER

The Reverend Dolores Nicholson, *Deacon*

#### MUSICIAN

Jon Johnson, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster*

Names and contact information for the Cathedral staff  
maybe found at [christcathedral.org](http://christcathedral.org)

### CATHEDRAL VESTRY

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Kristine LaLonde  
Paul Myers  
Daniel Schafer

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Scott Hoffman (Senior Warden)  
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Marian Ott  
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#### 2017

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