



CHRIST CHURCH

THE ANGLICAN/EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VIENNA

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CREATIONTIDE
6 SEPTEMBER 2020

ORGAN PRELUDE

GREETING

In the name of the living God:
Father, Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The celebrant welcomes those in attendance.

**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

The celebrant uses an invitation to confession.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,**

**through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.**

Amen.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(sung with masks)

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his 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.**

COLLECT

The celebrant prays the collect set for the day.

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

LESSON

Job 37.14-24

A reading from the Book of Job:

Hear this, O Job;
stop and consider the wondrous works of God.
Do you know how God lays his command upon them,
and causes the lightning of his cloud to shine?
Do you know the balancings of the clouds,
the wondrous works of the one whose knowledge is perfect,
you whose garments are hot
when the earth is still because of the south wind?
Can you, like him, spread out the skies,
unyielding as a cast mirror?
Teach us what we shall say to him;
we cannot draw up our case because of darkness.

Should he be told that I want to speak?
Did anyone ever wish to be swallowed up?
Now, no one can look on the light
when it is bright in the skies,
when the wind has passed and cleared them.
Out of the north comes golden splendour;
around God is awesome majesty.
The Almighty—we cannot find him;
he is great in power and justice,
and abundant righteousness he will not violate.
Therefore mortals fear him;
he does not regard any who are wise in their own conceit.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 130

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.
- 2 **Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!**
- 3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
- 4 **But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.**
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
- 6 **my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**
- 7 O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is great power to redeem.

- 8 **It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 8.23-27

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

And when Jesus got into the boat, his disciples followed him. A gale arose on the lake, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him up, saying, 'Lord, save us! We are perishing!' And he said to them, 'Why are you afraid, you of little faith?' Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. They were amazed, saying, 'What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

The appointed preacher offers a sermon.

CREED

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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,
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.**

INTERCESSIONS

A member of the congregation offers prayers.

PEACE

The celebrant introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence:

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All exchange an appropriate sign of peace.

MUSIC (AND OFFERING)

In the Bible, the giving of an offering is an important part of worship. During this music, an offering will be collected for the ministry of Christ Church.

EUCCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer E

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 thanks and praise.

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels 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.]**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [N and] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,

and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.
Amen.

The celebrant distributes communion.

MUSIC

POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

NOTICES

HYMN 532

1 **All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,**

(sung with masks | omit * verse)

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:**

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

- 2 **Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;
ye lights of evening, find a voice: [Refrain]**
- 3 **Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire, so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light: [Refrain]**
- 4 **Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them his glory also show: [Refrain]**
- 7 **Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One: [Refrain]**

BLESSING

The celebrant may use a seasonal blessing, or another suitable blessing:

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,

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HYGIENE INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE

As we gather at the church for worship services, it is essential that we follow the published guidance for everyone's health and safety. Even if you feel well, you can put others at risk. As the second greatest commandment is to "love your neighbour as yourself" (Matthew 22.39), please remember that following this guidance is a matter of caring for our community. In general, if you feel unwell or if you have symptoms (such as a high temperature or a cough), you should stay at home. When you come to a service, you must wear a mask that covers your mouth and nose. Bring your own mask and hand sanitiser. Handwashing facilities are available in the Church Centre, if needed. Seating in the nave is limited to 40 people. While masks are no longer mandatory, social distancing is. If you are sick in any way or in an especially vulnerable category, please attend our Online Services on Sundays at 10:30am. If you have any questions or need information, please contact the office (office@christchurchvienna.org).

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Currently we are not taking a collection during any of the services in the church building, because of Covid-19 restrictions. We ask those of you who would otherwise make your donations to Christ Church by putting an envelope, or cash, in one of the collection bags to please leave your contribution *in the vase at the back of the church after the service and before leaving the church*. We continue to encourage the setting up of regular standing orders.

Your contributions make a difference and we are thankful for them.

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.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE