



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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*Welcome to Holy Eucharist in the Celtic tradition. At this service, we offer music and liturgy based on principles of Celtic worship. Our services follow themes which change with the liturgical season. From All Saints' Day to the first Sunday in Advent, we celebrate the baptismal fellowship of the Saints through the theme of water.*



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**Christ the King Sunday**  
Celtic Holy Eucharist  
November 24, 2019 • 5 pm



## PRELUDE

*AR HYD Y NOS*  
*ROAD TO LISDOONVARNA*

TRADITIONAL WELSH HYMN TUNE  
TRADITIONAL IRISH QUADRILLE

## THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

## THE RESPONSE

### Psalm 46

1 God is our refuge and strength, \*  
a very present help in trouble.  
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, \*  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;  
3 Though its waters rage and foam, \*  
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.  
4 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.  
5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, \*  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
6 God is in the midst of her;  
she shall not be overthrown; \*  
God shall help her at the break of day.  
7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; \*  
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.  
8 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.  
9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, \*  
what awesome things he has done on earth.  
10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; \*  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,  
and burns the shields with fire.  
11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; \*  
I will be exalted among the nations;  
I will be exalted in the earth."  
12 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

## THE SECOND READING

### Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible,

whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers~ all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

## GOSPEL SONG



Al- le- lu- ia, al - le-  
 5 lu- ia! Al - le - lu\_ ia al - le - lu -  
 9 - ia! The Word of the Lord lasts for ev- -er.  
 What is the Word that is li - ving? It is  
 brought to us through his Son Je- -sus Chnst.

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## THE GOSPEL

### Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

## THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and  
might, heav'n and earth are filled with your glo-ry, Ho-  
san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the One who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Land of Rest—traditional folk melody; reprinted under onelicense.net A709573

## BLESSING SONG

*Verse*

May the road rise to meet you, — and the wind be at — your



back; May the rains fall soft up - on — your fields, — and the



sun shine warm on your face. And un - til we meet a -



- gain, — may you rest in Love's em - brace.

Text from traditional Irish Blessing; music by John Grover

# CLOSING HYMN

## DAY IS DONE, BUT LOVE UNFAILING



1. Day is done, but love un - fail - ing, dwells ev - er here;  
2. Dark de - cends, but light un - end - ing shines through our night;  
3. Eyes will close, but you, un - sleep - ing, watch by our side;



sha - dows fall, but hope pre - vail - ing calms ev - 'ry fear.  
you are with us ev - er lend - ing new strength to sight;  
death may come; in Love's safe keep - ing still we a - bid.



Lov - ing Fa - ther, none for - sak - ing, take our hearts, of  
one in love, your truth con - fes - sing, one in hope of  
God of love, all e - vil quel - ling, sin for - giv - ing,



love's own mak - ing, watch our sleep - ing, guard our wak - ing,  
hea - ven's bles - sing may we see, in love's pos - ses - sing,  
fear dis - pel - ling, stay with us, our hearts in - dwel - ling,



be al - ways near!  
love's end - less light!  
this e - ven - tide!

Music: Welsh melody, c. 1784. Lyrics: James Quinn, S. J.



## RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Church believes that in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ is given to God's people and received by faith. All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome here and invited either to participate in Communion or to receive a blessing. To receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the wine, help guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the bread in the wine and then place it in your mouth. If you do not wish to receive the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands across your chest, and receive a blessing. **Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.**

## COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

*Celebrant* In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

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*Please use this poetry for your own contemplation during the service or to take with you for your own prayer life.*

## POETRY

### Extract from the poem *Life Giving Water*

Life leaves us thirsty, longing for more.  
And in the parched streets  
and arid busyness a single voice cries out,  
'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,  
whether rich or poor,  
happy or sad,  
satisfied or frustrated,  
privileged or marginalised.  
Young or old, wanted or unwanted,  
sick or healthy,  
full of faith or wrestling with doubt.'

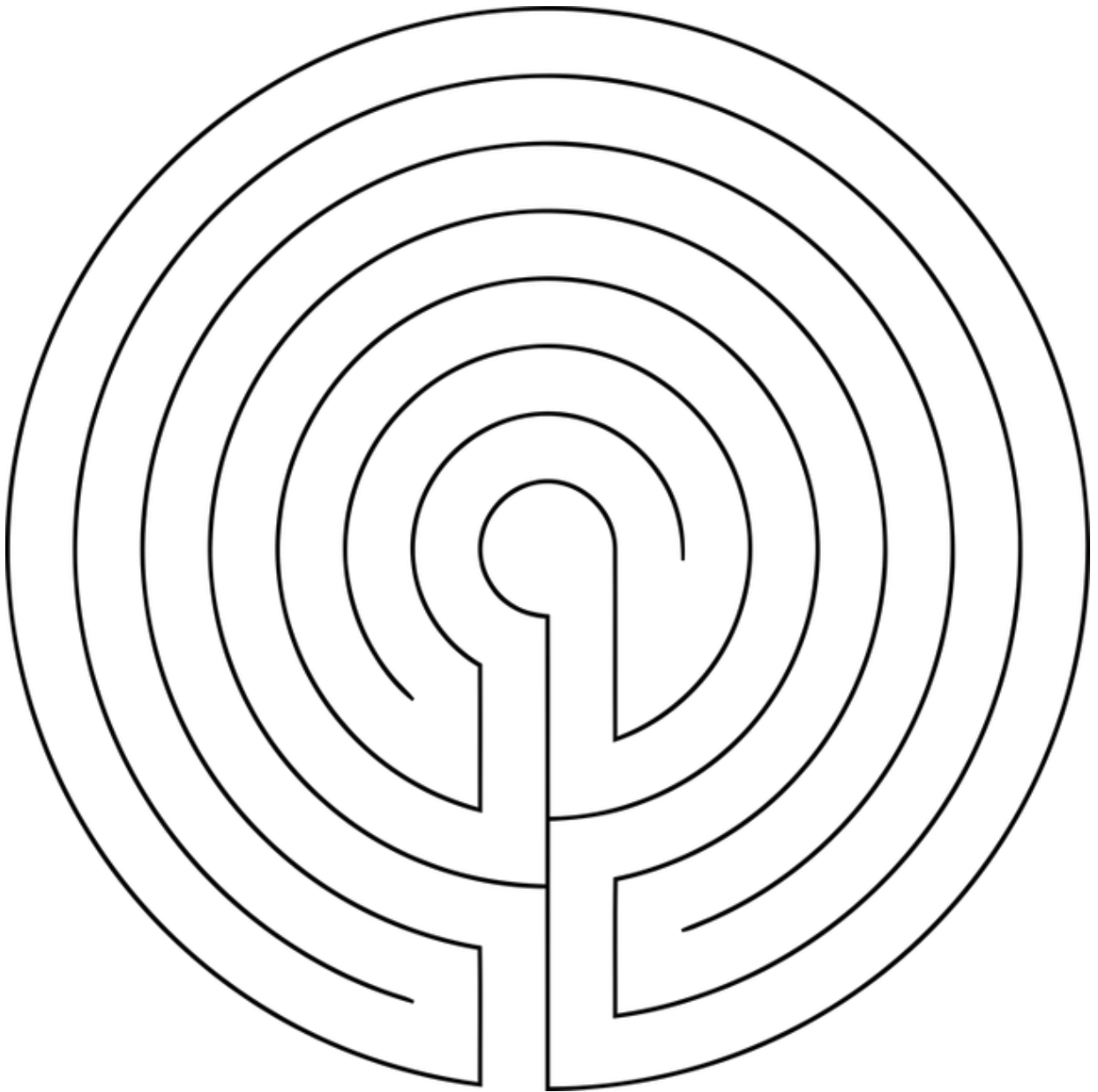
Life leaves us thirsty, longing for more.  
And in the parched streets  
and arid busyness a single voice cries out,  
'The water I give, will become a life-giving spring,  
welling up to eternal life.  
Offering purpose, meaning, hope and direction.  
So come to me and drink, and from your being will flow rivers of living water,  
streaming out to those around.

- Dave Hopwood

## At Blackwater Pond

Look, the trees  
are turning  
their own bodies  
into pillars  
of light,  
are giving off the rich  
fragrance of cinnamon  
and fulfillment,  
the long tapers  
of cattails  
are bursting and floating away over  
the blue shoulders  
of the ponds,  
and every pond,  
no matter what its  
name is, is  
nameless now.  
Every year  
everything  
I have ever learned  
in my lifetime  
leads back to this: the fires  
and the black river of loss  
whose other side  
is salvation,  
whose meaning  
none of us will ever know.  
To live in this world  
you must be able  
to do three things:  
to love what is mortal;  
to hold it  
against your bones knowing  
your own life depends on it;  
and, when the time comes to let it go,  
to let it go.”

-Mary Oliver



*During periods of silence throughout this service, or in your personal times of prayers and reflection outside of worship, this labyrinth is a gift of peace to all who seek deeper relationship with God in their life's journey.*

*Using your finger, journey on this labyrinth toward inner-contentedness with the Divine, spend some time with God there, in the center, and then re-trace your journey outward with the knowledge that God is ever with you.*

*A Labyrinth is not a maze; as a maze has dead ends that are used to confuse and trick the mind. A labyrinth is a spiral course having a single, winding unobstructed path from the outside to the center.*

## IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

### WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

**Birthdays** in the next week: Frank Keenan, Eric Vice, Becky Harmon, Cindy Hamann, Murray Monroe, Peg Wyant, Gayle Hummel, Annabelle Huttenbauer, Will Kuper, Lucy Esselen, James Partin, Heather Strom, Caroline Wetherill, Max Rasche.

**Anniversaries** in the coming week: Linda & George Callard, Kate & Matt Jackson, Karen & Paul Callard, Andrea & Paul Rogers, Robert and Missy Holzman, Mindy LaNouette & Stewart Lewis.

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Virginia & Sanger Hinchman by Hobey & Dave Hinchman and in thanksgiving for their new grandchild Amos Glen Roberts by grandparents Kyle & Dave Roberts.

## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

*Celebrant & Preacher*

The Rev. Philip DeVaul

*Lector*

Elise Solomon

*Lay Reader*

Andrea Rogers

*Intercessor*

Pattie Jamison

*Bread Guild*

**Hollis Bass**, Brian Babb, Blake Gustafson

*Flower Guild*

Kathleen Stengel, Pam Hickim, Laurie Maguire, Edie Zimmerman

*Altar Guild*

Karen Murphy, Krista DeVaul, Jenny Gale, Kathe Kissel, Liz Schildknecht

*Celtic Guild*

Deb Kapuscinski, Steve Kapuscinski

