



**Pentecost 20**  
**October 18, 2020**

**Christ the Rock's Mission:**

**To grow in faith and boldly proclaim Christ crucified and risen  
to all people of the Four Corners.**

**WELCOME BACK TO CHRIST THE ROCK!**

We are glad you are here in God's house today.

- Out of consideration for others and to comply with state guidelines, please wear a mask and observe social distancing. If you do not have a mask, please take one from the box on the table in the entry.
- For the time being Quiet Activity Bags will not be available
- Restrooms are located through the double doors and to the left.

**SERIES THEME: People of Faith**

In this series of teachings from the Gospel according to Matthew, Jesus opens the Scriptures to help us to take his teaching to heart. We realize what it means to be his disciples and concentrate on our calling to serve Him in loving response.

**SERVICE THEME: Our Patient and Gracious God Wants Fruits of Faith**

What is God like? He is gracious, like a landowner who did everything for his vineyard. He is patient, sending prophet after prophet, waiting year after year for people to return to him in repentance and faith. But he also is a God who wants fruits of faith. The time of grace for Israel and for every man is limited. Do not receive God's grace in vain; rather, repent, trust, and produce the fruits of faith. This Sunday the Church prays that God would make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases him.

**HYMN**  
**Less”**

**“My Hope Is Built on Nothing**

*Christian Worship #382*



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and right - eous - ness; I dare to make no oth -  
his un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and storm -  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly prop  
then in him be found, Clothed in his right - eous - ness



er claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
a - lone, Fault - less to stand be - fore his throne.



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All



oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

*PLEASE STAND*

**Minister:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**Congregation:** And also with you.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

- M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C:** Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

## OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are  
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -  
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -  
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -  
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

*BE SEATED*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON

**Isaiah 5:1-7**

**1** I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. **2** He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. **3** “Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. **4** What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? **5** Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. **6** I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it.” **7** The vineyard of the LORD Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

**PSALM OF THE DAY**

**Psalm**

**118**

Minister: The LORD is my strength and my song;

Cong: **he has become my salvation.**

The LORD'S right hand is lifted high;

**the LORD'S right hand has done mighty things!**

I will not die but live,

**and will proclaim what the LORD has done.**

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;

**you have become my salvation.**

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

**the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day the LORD has made;

**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit,**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**SECOND LESSON**

**2 Timothy**

**2:8-13**

**8** Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, **9** for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. **10** Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. **11** Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with him, we will also live with him; **12** if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; **13** if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.



## VERSE OF THE DAY

### Hebrews 2:12

Alleluia. I will proclaim your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Alleluia.

*STAND*

## GOSPEL

**Matthew 21:33-43**

**33** “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. **34** When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

**35** “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. **36** Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. **37** Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said. **38** “But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’

**39** So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

**40** “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” **41** “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.” **42** Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “ ‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes’? **43** “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*BE SEATED*



**HYMN OF THE DAY**  
**Word”**

**“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your**

*Christian Worship #203*



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known, For you are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would seek to o - ver - throw your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend your Chris - ten - dom that  
u - ni - ty on earth. Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And to de - stroy what he has done.  
we May sing your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife, And lead us out of death to life.

**SERMON**

**2 Timothy 2:8-13**

*“Life in a Hole”*

*STAND*

## **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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

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*STAND*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord, deliver Your people by Your power, and grant to us grace sufficient for all our needs and for the needs of all people.

*Brief silence*

Let us pray to the Lord to open the eyes of the blind by the light of His Word and to open the ears of the deaf with the voice of His Gospel, and for the Lord to clear the way for all people to know the riches of His grace, the gift of forgiveness and the promise of life in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord to raise up evangelists who will witness the Gospel, for preachers who will testify to the mighty act of deliverance on the cross by which we have been saved, and for the Lord to bless His Church and all church workers who serve us in His name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord to teach us to trust not in our works but in His Word, and for a steadfast faith to endure in time of test, trial and tribulation. Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord to bless our nation with peace and harmony, and for the Lord to bless our president, governor, all legislators and judges, and those who protect and defend us against all the enemies of our land. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord to heal the sick, give relief to the suffering, grant comfort to those who mourn, and give peace to the dying, and those we name in our hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord on behalf of those who serve as doctors and nurses, for medical researchers and those who work to end disease, and for those who care for people most vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord for the renewal of our lives of prayer and devotion, interceding on behalf of all those in need and those who have devoted themselves to the Lord's work. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord for those who commune this day, for faith to receive His gifts, and for genuine repentance, that they may receive to their benefit His flesh and blood in this bread and cup. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord for our stewardship of His creation, for our faithful use of all His gifts, and for grateful hearts, that we may honor the Lord with our words and with our works. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord that we may not forget those who delivered to us the sacred deposit and taught us the faith, and let us join them in passing on the faith to those yet to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Let us pray to the Lord that we may remain steadfast and immovable in faith, and that we may endure to the day of His coming again, when we shall be reunited with those who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, to live in His eternal presence and sing His praise without end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## THE SACRAMENT

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **Amen.**

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD *Agnus Dei*

O Christ, Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

*BE SEATED*

## DISTRIBUTION

## THANKSGIVING

*STAND*

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**C:** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN**  
**Image”**

**“On My Heart, Imprint Your**

*Christian Worship #320*

On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus,  
King of grace, That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Have no  
pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be:  
Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, Is my life, my hope's foun -  
da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion.

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### **In our prayers this week:**

- **Ben & Lavinia Henry**, Thanksgiving for 37 years of marriage
- **Maggie Donohue**, healing after surgery
- **Fred Bunselmeyer**, Maggie's father-in-law, health and comfort after cardiac arrest
- **Christ the Rock**, members and leaders as we transition our ministry
- **Willie Mitchell**, health and care at home
- **Ryan, grandson of Jeff and Mona Blagg**, continued care and successful rehab
- **Herdranne Herrera and family**, continued prayers for her health
- **Delfin Ulibarri**, God's healing after being hospitalized in Phoenix
- **Kay Ulibarri, Luci and Lysa**, God's blessings for comfort and strength as they care for each other and Delfin
- **Amoret DeField**, released from NICU and home in Monte Vista
- **Mary and Martin**, mother and brother in-law of **Ginger**, both have cancer
- **Bea Peshlakai**, care and comfort for her health
- Members with compromised health and serious health concerns
- Those on the front lines of administering health care and caring for the sick

### **God's People Respond to God's Grace**

Worship Attendance for October 11: No Count

Sunday School: 4

Bible Study: 10

Offering for October 4: \$1,229

Offering for October 11: \$959

### **Vacancy Pastor**

Welcome Pastor Emeritus Paul Hartman (and wife Carol) who will serve as our vacancy pastor until at least mid-December.

### **Mission Board and Ministry Restart**

Our Mission Board started the first phase to restart our congregation. The Colorado District Mission Board was in Farmington to carry out a community profile and meet with congregation members. Three pastors from Native Christians Arizona shared information and encouraged those in attendance.

### **Saturday, November 14, 10:00 AM**

Small Group Exercise Classes, with Covid precautions will be held for anyone interested. The class is not limited to seniors and will be facilitated by John Blievernicht.

**Ushers for October:** Jesse Hanson                      Tully Hayes

### **Cleaning Team for October:**

Robert Kinsel (Team Leader); Engh, Hanson, Johnson, Largo, Kinsel/Newman, Schneiter