



# **Christ Church of Arlington**

Gathered Worship

April 21, 2024

Easteride

## God Welcomes Us

\* Call to Worship

*Isaiah 55:1-3*

Leader: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!

**ALL: Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?**

Leader: Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me;

**ALL: hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.**

\* Prayer of Invocation

\* Song of Praise

*Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

## God Restores Us

Prayer of Confession

**ALL: We confess to You, Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; that we have grievously sinned in thought, word, and deed. Make us truly contrite. Fill us with holy fear, and give us grace to amend our lives according to Your Word; for the glory of Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Confession of Sin

\* *Please stand (if possible)*

\* Assurance of Forgiveness

*1 Corinthians 5:7, 8*

Leader: Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.

**ALL: Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

\* Song of Adoration

*I Will Glory in My Redeemer*

Confession of Faith

*The Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A #75*

Leader: How does the Lord's supper signify and seal to you that you share in Christ's one sacrifice on the cross and in all his gifts?

**ALL: In this way: Christ has commanded me and all believers to eat of this broken bread and drink of this cup in remembrance of him. With this command he gave these promises: First, as surely as I see with my eyes the bread of the Lord broken for me and the cup given to me, so surely was his body offered for me on the cross. Second, as surely as I receive from the hand of the minister and taste with my mouth the bread and the cup of the Lord as sure signs of Christ's body and blood, so surely does he himself nourish and refresh my soul to everlasting life with his crucified body and shed blood.**

Pastoral Prayer

Congregational Prayer

**ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## God Nourishes Us

Scripture Reading

*Luke 22:14-20 (p. 882)*

Leader: The grass withers and the flower fades,

**ALL: but the Word of our God will stand forever.**

\* Song of Preparation/Dedication

*My Worth Is Not in What I Own*

Sermon

"Life with the Living Lord: Feasting"  
1 Corinthians 10:14-22 (pp. 957-958)  
Rev. Billy Boyce

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Humble Access for Holy Communion

**ALL: We do not presume to come to this, your table, O Merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy even as to gather up the crumbs from under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose eternal nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, that by faith in your dear son, Jesus Christ, our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, so that we evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Presentation of Communion Elements

Minister: Behold! The gifts of God for the people of God! Hallelujah!

**People: Hallelujah!**

Words of Institution

## Distribution of the Bread and Cup

Minister: When we eat this meal we are reminded that we are not our own,

**ALL: But together belong to Christ, and in Christ belong to one another.**

Minister: The bread that we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**ALL: And we who are many are one in Him!** *(partake of the bread together)*

Minister: The cup that we drink is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

**ALL: And we who are many are one in Him!** *(partake of the cup together)*

\* Doxology

\* Benediction

## **Sermon Notes**

1. Feast with Anticipation

2. Feast with Faithfulness

3. Feast with Joy

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday School**

Sunday School for all ages continues today, 11:30-12:30. For information on any of our Kids Ministry classes, contact our Kids Ministry Director, Tacye Clarke.

### **Women's Bible Studies: Acts**

Our next Monday Women's Bible Study will be on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10AM at Christ Church. Our next Tuesday study will be on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30PM at Madison Laton's home. Contact Melynda for more details.

### **Assist Pregnancy Center's Walk Run Ride Fundraiser**

From now through May 4<sup>th</sup>, join the Christ Church team to raise funds for Assist Pregnancy Center! Contact Melynda or Elaine for details.

### **Fellowship Potluck at the Langborghs'**

All are invited to a fellowship potluck at the Langborghs' home on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, starting at 1:15PM. Contact Bonnie or Eric for more details.

### **Book Discussion Group**

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, at 4PM at Sandy Langley's home in Vienna. We will be discussing *Gone with the Wind*. Contact Sandy to RSVP.

### **Men's Discipleship and Leadership Development**

Our next monthly men's discipleship and leadership training meeting will be on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8PM at the CCA Chapel. Meetings are open to all men interested in spiritual growth. Please contact Pastor Billy for discussion materials.

### **Men's Fellowship Breakfast**

All men are invited to a fellowship breakfast on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30AM in the CCA Chapel. For more details or to RSVP, please reach out to Robert White.

### **June CCA Potluck**

Mark your calendar for our next all-church potluck on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Welcome to CCA!**

We hope you find rich fellowship with God and with his people this morning. As you enter worship, we'd like to make you aware of a few things:

### For All Visitors:

- After the service, please join us for coffee and doughnuts.

### For Those with Kids:

- Children of all ages are welcome to stay with their parents throughout the whole service.
- The nursery is available for infants and toddlers (through age 3).

### About Communion:

- We celebrate the Lord's Supper (or Communion) every week at CCA.
- We welcome all baptized Christians – those who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel – to receive Communion with us. If this does not currently describe you, we invite you to participate in spirit by considering the things you see and hear in worship, including God's love for sinners as portrayed in this meal. If you have any questions about whether you should participate in the Lord's Supper, please talk with our Pastor or one of our elders.
- For parents: to receive communion, a child must have been baptized and formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong.
- Our communion bread is gluten-free, and we offer both wine and juice. Wine is in the outer ring; juice is in the inner ring.

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