Welcome to this service of Holy Eucharist at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. We hope that this service will help lift you to the presence of God and strengthen you for the week to come.

Scripture readings are printed in Currents (leaflet insert).

Hymns are found in the red hymnal in your pew.

'S' numbers refer to service music found in the front of the hymnal.

BCP refers to the Book of Common Prayer.

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Voluntary

Andante and Variations in D  
Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

The Announcements

The Reverend Andrew Van Culin

The Entrance Rite

The people stand for the hymn.

Hymn 379  
God is Love, let heaven adore him  
Abbot's Leigh

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant  
Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People  
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity, and the people respond Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo - S 278

The children follow the Children's Cross to the Chancel steps during the Gloria.

The Word of God

The Collect for the Day

Celebrant  
The Lord be with you.

People  
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People  
Amen.
The Celebrant dismisses the children to Children’s Chapel, and the people respond Amen. The people are seated for the reading and the Psalm.

**The Reading**  
**Acts 11:1-18**

_Reader_  
The Word of the Lord.

_People_  
Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 148**  
The people stand for the hymn.

**Hymn 576**  
Here in Christ we gather _Mandatum_

**The Gospel**  
**John 13:31-35**

_Gospeller_  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

_People_  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel is read.

_People_  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

**The Sermon**  
The Reverend Andrew Van Culin

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon. The people stand.

**The Nicene Creed**

_All_  
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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from 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.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.

**The Prayers of the People**

**Intercessor**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those on our parish cycle of prayer (N.). Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (N.); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died (N.), that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *The congregation may add their own petitions.*

*Lord, in your mercy,*

**People**

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes with a collect and the people respond* Amen.
THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Gospeller  Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel. A brief period of silence is observed.

People  Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant offers the absolution, and the people respond Amen.

The people stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant  The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People  And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God’s peace and then are seated. Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward.

Celebrant  Let us pray for those in our congregation who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary.

People  O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INSTALLATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while the offering is collected.

ANTHEM  I was glad  C. Hubert H. Parry
(1848-1918)

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Psalm 122:1-3, 6

The people stand as the gifts are presented.
Children and their parents are invited to follow the children’s cross and to sit in the Chancel between the choir stalls. They return to their seats for Communion.

HYMN 529  In Christ there is no East or West  McKee
The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP p. 372

The Celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ.

Sanctus & Benedictus - S 128

The people remain standing as the Celebrant gives thanks for the reconciling work of Christ through his passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

And offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

People We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer.

Celebrant Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

To receive Communion, come to a Communion Station or to the Altar Rail at the direction of the ushers. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than Communion, cross your arms over your chest—this will alert the priest of your request. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.
AGNUS DEI - S 165

The people are seated.

**Voluntary**  
Allegretto, from *Sonata no. 4, op. 65*  
F. Mendelssohn

**Anthem**  
Faire is the heaven  
William H. Harris  
(1883-1973)

Faire, faire is the heaven  
Where happy soules have place  
In full enjoyment of felicitie;  
Whence they doe still behold the glorious face  
Of the Divine Eternall Majestie;  
Yet farre more faire be those bright Cherubins  
Which all with golden wings are overdight.  
And those eternall burning Seraphins  
Which from their faces dart out fiery light;  
Yet fairer than they both and much more bright,  
Be the Angels and Archangels  
Which attend on God's owne person without rest or end.  
These then in faire each other fare excelling  
As to the Highest they approach more neare,  
Yet is that Highest farre beyond all telling  
Fairer than all the rest which there appeare.  
Though all their beauties joynd together were;  
How then can mortall tongue hope to expresse  
The image of such endlesse perfectnesse.

*Edmund Spenser*

**The Postcommunion Prayer**

The people stand.

_Celebrant_  
Let us pray.

_All_  
Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing & Dismissal**

_Celebrant_  
The Lord be with you.

_People_  
And also with you.

_The Celebrant blesses the people._

_People_  
Amen.

_The Gospeller dismisses the people._

_People_  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Hymn 432**  
O praise ye the Lord!  
*Laudate Dominum*

**Voluntary**  
Allegro maestoso e vivace,  
from *Sonata no. 4, op. 65*  
F. Mendelssohn