

Christ Church Deer Park

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September 20, 2026
Jazz Vespers at 4:30 pm

Welcome to Jazz Vespers

We are delighted you are here.

'Kind of Blue' - Celebrating Miles Davis at 100

Welcome

Music As We Gather - Freddie Freeloader

Opening Prayer

Officant Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Music Blue In Green

Reading

Reader A reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said, 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat."

But he replied to one of them, “Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?” So the last will be first, and the first will be last.’ *Matthew 20:1-16, NRSV*

Reader Holy Word, holy wisdom.

All Thanks be to God.

Music All Blues

Reflection

Offering Music

So What

Flamenco Sketches

Prayers of the People

Officiant Holy God, remember your people bowed before you, and those who are absent through age, sickness, or any other cause. Care for the infants, guide the young, support the aged, inspire the faint-hearted, and bring the wandering to your fold. Journey with the travellers, encourage the oppressed, defend the widows, deliver the captives, heal the sick. Strengthen all who are in tribulation, necessity, or distress. Remember for good those who love us, and those who hate us, and those who have asked us, unworthy as we are, to pray for them. Remember especially those whom we have forgotten. For you are the helper of the helpless, the saviour of the lost, the refuge of the wanderer, the healer of the sick. You know the need of all and have heard each prayer: save us in your merciful lovingkindness and eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

An Alternative Lord's Prayer

Officiant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life giver.

Source of all that is and that shall be.

Parent of us all.

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

Prayer for Evening

(Lamentations 3:22-23)

Officiant Because of God's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

All They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Music Milestones

Announcements

Hymn - All Things Bright

ALL THINGS BRIGHT

All **Refrain**
All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

1. Each radiant flower that opens,
each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their lively wings. **Refrain**

2. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruit in the garden,
God made them every one. **Refrain**

3. The rocky mountain splendour,
the loon's wild, haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall. **Refrain**

4. God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is the Creator,
who has made all things well. **Refrain**

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander
Music: William Henry Monk

Blessing and Dismissal

Officiant Now go from here and God go with you. May Christ companion you, the Spirit enliven you, and may you know God's presence today and every day.

All Amen.

Officiant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All Thanks be to God.

Thank you for joining us!

***Our next Jazz Vespers will be on October 18 at 4:30pm:
Tribute to Thelonious Monk - Duncan Wilson Trio***

Assisting with the Service today

Officiant & Reflection: The Rev'd Canon Dr. Alison Falby

Musicians

Trumpet

Brian O'Kane

Alto Sax

John Johnson

Tenor Sax

Steve Carson

Piano

Mark Eisenman

Bass

Lauren Falls

Drums

Brian Barlow

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