



*Christ Episcopal Church
1521 N. Patterson St.
Valdosta, GA*



August 30, 2020

10:00 AM

Pentecost XIII / Proper 17

Rite II

Welcome to Christ Church!

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For this Service we will use the Red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the Blue Hymnal
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THE WORD

Prelude – <i>Wondrous Love</i>	Dale Wood
Opening Hymn – <i>Praise the Lord through Every Nation</i>	Hymnal 484
Opening Salutation: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Response: <i>And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.</i>	BCP 355
Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria	Hymnal S280

Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

Lesson

Jeremiah 15:15-21

O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

- 1 **Give judgment for me, O LORD,
for I have lived with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.**
- 2 **Test me, O LORD, and try me;
examine my heart and my mind.**
- 3 **For your love is before my eyes;
I have walked faithfully with you.**
- 4 **I have not sat with the worthless,
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**
- 5 **I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.**
- 6 **I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD,
that I may go in procession round your altar,**
- 7 **Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.**
- 8 **LORD, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.**

Lesson 2

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

The Sermon – The Rev. Walter Hobgood

The Nicene Creed		BCP 358
The Prayers of the People, Form IV		BCP 388
Confession of Sin		BCP 360
The Peace		BCP 360
Doxology		Hymnal 380 vs. 3
	THE EUCHARIST	
Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP 361
Sanctus (spoken)		BCP 362
The Lord’s Prayer		BCP 364
Fraction Anthem (spoken)		BCP 364

Spiritual Communion

When we are unable to receive the Bread and Wine of the Holy Sacrament because of extreme sickness, physical disability, or, as in our present cause, the cancelation of public service to prevent the spread of infection, we can be assured that all the benefits of Communion are received. The follow prayer from the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, or some other prayer, may be said.

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

Communion Hymns – *God is Love and Where True Love Is*
What Wondrous Love

Hymnal 577
Hymnal 439

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 365

Hymn – *Take Up Your Cross*

Hymnal 675

Dismissal

Response: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude – *O Love How Deep*

Michael Helman



The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia
The Rev. Dr. Dave Johnson, Rector
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OUR VISION

To receive God's grace in Jesus Christ, and share this grace with one another and the world.

VESTRY

2020
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