Christ Episcopal Church





February 6, 2022 10:00 a.m.



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



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Prelude - O Rest in the Lord

Felix Mendelssohn/Charles R. Cronham

Opening Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy

Hymnal 362

Opening Salutation:

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Response: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria

Hymnal S280

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lessons Isaiah 6:1-13

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" And he said, "Go and say to this people: `Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" and he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138 Confitebor tibi BCP 793

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, because of your love and faithfulness;

(Unison)

3 For you have glorified your Name and your word above all things.

- 4 When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me;O LORD, your love endures for ever;do not abandon the works of your hands.

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn – Thy Strong Word did Cleave the Darkness Hymnal 381

Then, all standing, a Priest reads the Gospel, first sayingThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

PeopleThe Gospel of the Lord.Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon - The Rev. Dr. David Perkins

The 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: 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.

Prayers of the People (Form IV)

Lay Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for Christ Church as we receive your grace in Jesus Christ and share that grace with one another and the world, and for all people in their daily life and work.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Frank our Bishop, Scott our retired bishop; for David our Interim, Peter our retired priest, Walter, Marćia, Stella, Patricia, and Nancy.

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. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *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. We pray for Joe, our President; Brian, our Governor, and for those serving in the Armed Forces. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *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. Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Kathy Armstrong, Caty Carter, Bev Cowart, S.J. Denmark, Janet Dickman, Barbara Gray, Marilyn Miller, Laura Paine, David Perkins, Theo Reed, Baby Rocky, Mary Thieme

Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Jan Carter, Josie Parten

that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

(The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.)

Confession of Sin Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory - He Watching Over Israel Felix Mendelssohn, arr. Hal Hopson

Doxology

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

Choir

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
-	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal S125

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

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

People and Celebrant

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S169

The Celebrant may say the following Invitation The Gifts of God for the People of God.

> Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn – My God, Thy Table Now is Spread In Your Mercy, Lord You Called Me

Hymnal 321 Hymnal 706

Spiritual Communion Prayer

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And, since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

Post Communion Prayer

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*.

Blessing

Hymn – Come Thou Fount of Many Blessings

Hymnal 530

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude - Grand March

Felix Mendelssohn/Wilber Held

Special Notes

<u>Contact Tracing Notice</u>: If you test positive for COVID-19 within 5 days of attending this worship service, please notify the church office or one of the Vestry members immediately. Your confidentiality will be maintained, but we will notify those who were present that they may have possibly been exposed to the virus. We will also notify Canon Loren Lasch on the bishop's staff in accordance with Diocesan policy. All confidentiality will be maintained.

<u>**Children's Church**</u> will be held today during the 10:00 worship service. Father Perkins will dismiss the children at the appropriate time. Children (age older 3 to 5^{th} grade) are welcome to join Keri Wilkin at the Gabard building.

<u>Flower Calendar</u> available in the Parish Hall. Please stop by and sign up for a Sunday to decorate the altar with flowers. They can be given in honor or memory of loved ones that will be printed in the bulletin.

<u>Special Notes – (cont.)</u>

Pub Theology Night February 17th - We will gather for the next session of Pub Night at Georgia Beer Company on **Thursday, February 17th** at 7 PM. The group will set the ensuing topics, meeting by meeting.

<u>**Tuesday Night Bible study</u>**, led by Dr. Willa Valencia, will meet on February 8th at the home of Ron & Tammy Borders, 1718 Williams Street. All adults vaccinated against the Covid virus are welcome (Some of our participants have compromised immune systems). The meeting last an hour: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Bring your bible, any version.</u>

<u>Generational Fellowship</u> – We will be starting back some fellowship opportunities in February. 20's and 30's will meet on Friday, February 18th at the rectory beginning at 6:00 p.m. Childcare will be provided in the Gabard Building. 40's and 50's will meet on Saturday, February 12, 2022 at the home of Paul and Molly Stevenson (6933 Old Valdosta Road N. Hahira) beginning at 6:00 p.m. 60's plus will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 19, 2022 at the home of Elise and David Sandbach (2607 Pebblewood Drive, Valdosta).

<u>Stuffed Animals for the CAC</u> - The Children's Advocacy Center helps children through the difficult process of legal advocacy in child abuse cases. Can you help us provide some stuffed animals to give comfort to the children? The Stitchers of Love are making some animals, but gently-used stuffed animals or monetary contributions are also good choices. The photo shows a dozen 4" stuffed animals we recently gave the center. Bring contributions to the church office. A member of our church is on the CAC Board of Directors. Thank you for your generosity.



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Serving Today

LEM: Stefani Carroll, Allan Dear, Sheri Gravett Lectors: Jane Kinney, Bonnie Hanson, Marcie Dennard Acolytes: Phyllis Holland, Nancy Lutsko, Chip Whiting Ushers: Alex Alvarez, Eric Nielsen, Delrick Bradley Coffee Hour: Phyllis Hiers, Patricia Tyson, Julia Ariail