

Christ Episcopal Church



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1521 N. Patterson St.
Valdosta, GA



May 29, 2022

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Welcome to Christ Church!

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Prelude - *Prelude in Classic Style*

Gordon Young

Opening Hymn – *All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine* Hymnal 477

Opening Salutation:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Response: ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

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

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People:

Amen.



May 29, 2022
10:00 a.m.

The Lessons

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97 (Unison)

BCP 726

Dominus regnavit

- 1 **The LORD is King;
let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
- 2 **Clouds and darkness are round about him,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his
throne.**
- 3 **A fire goes before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.**
- 4 **His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees it and is afraid.**
- 5 **The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
- 6 **The heavens declare his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory.**
- 7 **Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods!
Bow down before him, all you gods.**
- 8 **Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.**
- 9 **For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.**
- 10 **The LORD loves those who hate evil;
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
- 11 **Light has sprung up for the righteous,
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.**
- 12 **Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy Name.**

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their

robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn – *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!* Hymnal 495

Then, all standing, a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 17:20-26

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon – The Rev. Walter Hobgood

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.**

Lay Reader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

We pray your blessing on Christ Church as we receive your grace in Jesus Christ and share that grace with one another and the world. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Frank our Bishop, Scott our retired bishop; for David our Interim priest, Peter our retired priest, Walter, Marcia, Stella, Patricia and Nancy and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Joe our President, Brian our governor, for those serving in the Armed Forces, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.
We remember especially:

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for the sick and troubled especially;
Kathy Armstrong, Caty Carter, Wayne Cook, Bev Cowart, S.J. Denmark, Janet Dickman, Irene Dodd, Marge Fitzsimons, Laura Paine, David Perkins, Rocky, Mary Thieme

(The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.)

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Offertory - *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*
John Carter

Choir

Doxology

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer D

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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,
Celebrant and People

Sanctus

C3 LAND OF REST American Folk tune

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might. Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes. in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Chords: F(D), Bb(G), F(D), Dm(Bm), C(A), F(D), Am(F#m), Dm(Bm), Bb(G), F(D), C7(A7), Fsus4, F(D), Bb(G), F(D), Dm(Bm), C(A), F(D), Am(F#m), Dm(Bm), Bb(G), F(D), C7(A7), Fsus4, F(D)

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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." Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his

resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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. **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.
Then will be sung*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God

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

Communion Hymn – *Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to be our Guest* Hymnal 306
The Head That Once was Crowned with Thorns Hymnal 483

Spiritual Communion

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 – *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

Hymnal 214

Dismissal

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

Postlude – *Llanfair*

Wilber Held

Special Notes



Vacation Bible School has been scheduled for Monday, June 6th – Thursday, June 9th from 9-12. Theme is “Summer Camp for Jesus”. For registration, scan the QR code, click on the link: <https://form.jotform.com/221233810817146> or go to the Christ Church Website home page to register for VBS. Volunteers to help with V.B.S. are needed. Please let Keri Wilkin know if you are willing to assist. 229-412-5630

H.E.P. (Happy Episcopal People) Party - HEP Party will begin at 6:00 PM on **Friday, June 17th** at Jeani Synyard's home located at (746 Lake Laurie Drive, Valdosta) Drinks will be provided, please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. **Remember this is an adult only gathering.**

Note about Announcements – If you need to make an announcement to the congregation during announcement time, please step forward to the podium and speak into the mic. This assures everyone including our live-stream audience hears the announcement. Thank you for your help.

Live-streaming will now be broadcast simultaneously on Facebook and YouTube. If there are technical difficulties where one of the platforms fails to live-stream, we will upload a recording of the service as soon as possible. Thank you to our Live-stream committee for all your hard work.

Offering – During the offering today, any non-designated offering shall be devoted the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee. This is an annual collection required by the Diocese. Thank you for your generosity.

Tuesday Night Bible study, led by Dr. Willa Valencia, will meet on May 31st 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.

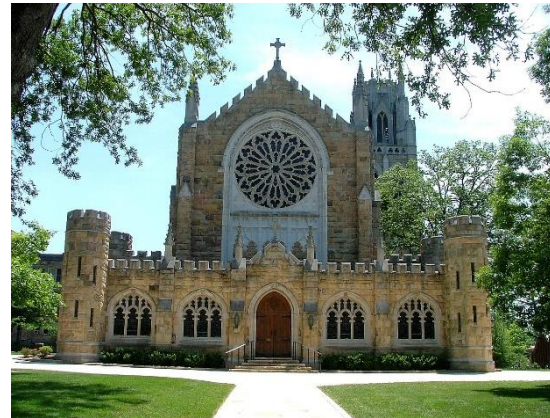
Serving Today

LEM: Stefani Carroll, Allan Dear, Sheri Gravett
Lectors: Stefani Carroll, Bonnie Hanson, Marcie Dennard
Acolytes: Nancy Lutsko, Chip Whiting, Phyllis Holland
Ushers: Hudson Tanner, Stephen Sandbach, Tanner Darby
Coffee Hour: Phyllis Hiers, Patricia Tyson, Julia Ariail
Live-stream Crew: Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker

SEWANEE

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH

The University of the South at Sewanee, commonly known as Sewanee, is a private Episcopal liberal arts college in Sewanee, Tennessee. It is owned by 28 southern dioceses of the Episcopal Church, and its School of Theology is an official seminary of the church. The university's School of Letters offers graduate degrees in American Literature and Creative Writing. The campus (officially called "The Domain" or, affectionately, "The Mountain") consists of 13,000 acres of scenic mountain property atop the Cumberland Plateau, with the developed portion occupying about 1,000 acres.



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