

Christ Episcopal Church



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



July 31, 2022

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Welcome to Christ Church!

Rite II

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Prelude - *At the Name of Jesus, Andante*
Final Stanza

Michael Burkhardt, Maestro
David N. Johnson

Opening Hymn – *At the Name of Jesus*

Hymnal 435

Opening Salutation:

BCP 355

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.***



July 31, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Gloria

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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

Hosea 11:1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

People

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (Unison)

Confitemini Domino

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
and his mercy endures for ever.**
 - 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**
 - 3 He gathered them out of the lands;
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**
 - 4 Some wandered in desert wastes;
they found no way to a city where they might dwell.**
 - 5 They were hungry and thirsty;
their spirits languished within them.**
 - 6 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.**
 - 7 He put their feet on a straight path
to go to a city where they might dwell.**
 - 8 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy
and the wonders he does for his children.**
 - 9 For he satisfies the thirsty
and fills the hungry with good things.**
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things,
and consider well the mercies of the LORD.**

Colossians 3:1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things--anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your

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mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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

Gospel Hymn – *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Hymnal 516

Then, all standing, a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

The Sermon – The Rev. Dr. David Perkins

**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.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
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, Max Bontrager, Caty Carter, Wayne Cook, S.J.,
Denmark, Janet Dickman, Irene Dodd, Marge Fitzsimons, Peter
Ingeman, Laura Paine, Richard Rigby, Rocky*

(The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.) Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The absolution.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory – *Seek Ye First*

Douglas E. Wagner

Choir

Doxology

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

The Holy Eucharist

Prayer II (Enriching Our Worship)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters and every living thing.

People: You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

Presider: And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Presider and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

People: Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

People: On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

Presider: "Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

People: As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:

Presider: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Presider: Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

All: In the fullness of time bring us, with _____ and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

*Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. AMEN.*

Presider: And, now as our Savior Christ 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.**

Presider: This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

People: Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Communion Hymn – Before Thy Throne, O God We Kneel Hymnal 574

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.**

After Communion, the Presider says
Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn – *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Hymnal 594

Dismissal

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude – *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Carolyn Hamlin

Special Notes

Church-Wide Caucus and Light Lunch, Today. - You should have receiving summary reports of the Holy Conversations and the Holy Cow Survey. If you do not get email, a few copies are available in the narthex. We will meet after the 10 am service in parish hall for a light lunch and discussion of these two reports. These reports are relevant not only for the search process but for our ongoing life as a community of faith. Vestry, staff, and committees and teams will be guided by them in planning for the next few years. Child care will be extended through lunch to make it easier for younger families to stay through.

Caritas Sing-a-long will be held on Sunday, **July 31, 2022** beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the home of Gary and Nancy located at **4738 Layla Lane, Hahira**. We will have a number of guitarists on hand to help lead us. Please bring a snack to share and join in the fun.

Community outreach, the first 2 Sundays in August we will be collecting school supplies for local public schools. Notebook paper, packs of pencils, rubber erasers, crayons, blunt nose scissors. Questions call? John McRae 229-220-5619, school supplies coordinator. Thank you for your support.

Flower Guild is in need of some more vases. We need wide mouth vases not bud vases. Vases can be dropped off in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your support.

Live-streaming will 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.

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.

Serving Today

LEM: John McRae, Martin Holland, Maddie Yarbrough
Lectors: John McRae, Martin Holland, Maddie Yarbrough
Acolytes: Joel Williams, Phyllis Holland, Nancy Lutsko
Ushers: Hudson Tanner, Stephen Sandbach, Tanner Darby
Coffee Hour: Phyllis Hiers, Patricia Tyson, Julia Ariail
Live-stream Crew: Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker