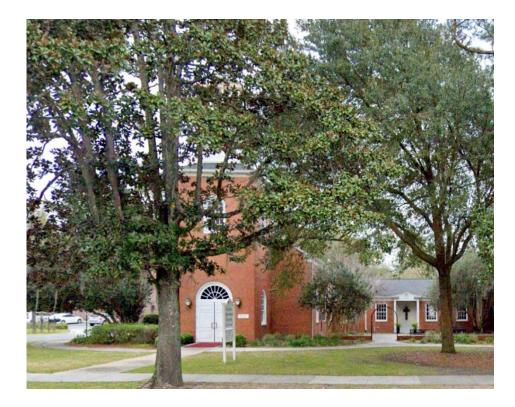
Christ Episcopal Church





October 2, 2022 10:00 a.m.



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

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Prelude - I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

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J.S.Bach

Hymnal 541 Opening Hymn - Come Labor On Come, Who dares dle la - bor on. stand 1 2 Come, la - bor on. The en e my is 3 Come, la - bor on. A way with gloom v Come, la - bor on. Claim the high call ing Come, la - bor on. No time for till 5 rest, on the har - vest plain, while all a - round us 1 watch - ing night and day, the tares, to SOW to doubts and faith - less fear! No arm so weak but an - gels can - not share to young and old the till glows the west - ern sky, the long sha dows gold - en grain? And waves the vant to each ser 2 snatch the seed a - way; while we in sleep our 3 may do ser - vice here: by feeb - lest a gents Gos - pel glad - ness bear: deem the time; its 4 re -5o'er our path - way lie, and glad sound comes а "Go day." 1 does the Mas - ter say, work to 2 du - ty have for - got, he slum - bered_ not. 3 may our God ful - fill his right eous___ will. hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws____ nigh. 4

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vants, well

done."

Opening Salutation:

BCP 299

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

	There is one Body and one Spirit;
People	There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People	One God and Father of all.
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

The Lessons Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

	The Word of the Lord
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 137	(Unison)
Super	flumina
1 By the w	aters of Babylon we sat down and wept,
•	we remembered you, O Zion.

2 As for our harps, we hung them up on the trees in the midst of that land.

- 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."
- 4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song upon an alien soil.
- 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill.
- 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
- 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD, against the people of Edom, who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!"
- 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, happy the one who pays you back for what you have done to us!
- 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, and dashes them against the rock!

BCP 792

Hymnal 655



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

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, `Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, `Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, `We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

The Sermon – The Rev. Dr. David Perkins

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented

Adults and Older Children

The candidates who are able to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Sponsors, as follows

Sponsor I present *N*. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks each candidate when presented Do you desire to be baptized? Candidate **I** do.

Infants and Younger Children

Then the candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

I present Clark Dewitt Greneker to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

		ebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who alf of the infant and younger child.	
	Question	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?	
	Answer	I renounce them.	
	Question	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?	
	Answer	I renounce them.	Celebi
	Question	Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?	People
	Answer	I renounce them.	
	Question	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?	
	Answer	I do.	
	Question	Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?	~
	Answer	I do.	Celebi
	Question	Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?	
	Answer	I do.	People
	The Celebra	nt addresses those present saying	Celebr
Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these		People	
	<i>People</i>	their life in Christ? We will.	Теори
	reopie	we will.	Celebr
The Celebrant then says			
Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.		People	
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	creator of heaven and earth.
People	I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father?
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Celebrant People	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
Celebrant People	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant People	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the
People	Good News of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant People	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for *Clark* who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions Leader Deliver Clark, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open *his* heart to your grace and truth. *People* Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill *him* with your holy and life-giving Spirit. *People* Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church. People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit. People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love. People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory. People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

People	The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Baptism

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Clark, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen*.

Then Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying

Clark, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *him* to the new life of grace. Sustain *him*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *him* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen*.

The Celebrant then says Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

A Prayer for Shelter (World Habitat Day, October 3, 2022)

Leader: Loving God, you made us in your image and blessed us with wisdom, creativity, skill, compassion and love.

People: Give us sight to see your children in need, ability to hear your call to serve and willingness to be your hands and feet.

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty! Even the sparrow has found a home and the swallow a nest—a place near your altar, O Lord.

People: Heaven is your throne and the earth your footstool. Empower us with your strength and wisdom to build safe dwellings.

Leader: You have called us to share our food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when we see the naked, to clothe him.

People: Give us willing hearts, Lord, and inspire us to action.

Leader: When you call upon the Lord, spend yourselves on behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, the Lord will always guide you. He will satisfy your needs and strengthen you.

People: Grant us safety and protect us as we build your kingdom through building homes and communities.

Leader: He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?

People: To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Leader: My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest.

People: May our obedience to serve you with our wisdom, creativity, skill, compassion and love cause the weak to say I am strong, the poor to say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.

Leader: Transform our world and transform our hearts and minds.

People: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

ALL: Make us into one people, your people like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

The Peace

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

The Ministries of Christ Church – Frances Guice

Offertory – Be Thou My Vision Choir Dan Miller

Doxology

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

The Holy Communion Eucharistic Praver A

	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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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 S130

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith; *Celebrant and People*

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

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.

Hymnal S169

Hymnal 660



Words: Washington (Hadden (1836-1918) Music: Marutan Henry Percy Smith (1825-1898)

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

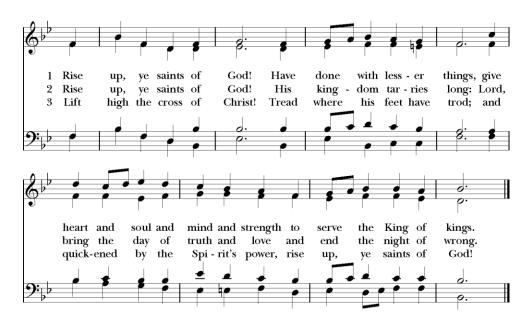
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

News of Christ Church

Blessing

Hymn – Rise Up, Ye Saints of God

Hymnal 551



Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude – Fugue in C Major

Handel

Special Notes

A Word from Bishop Logue and Canon Lasch If you have any questions or concerns about your last clergy transition or the transition period at Christ Church, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are available to meet with you in Valdosta or in Savannah for conversation around your concerns. You can reach out to us through the diocesan office by phone (912-236-4279) or by email. (llasch@gaepiscopal.org; bishop@gaepiscopal.org) and we will respond as quickly as we can.

<u>**Children's Church**</u> will meet on October 2^{nd} . Children age $3 - 5^{th}$ grade are welcome to meet Keri Wilkin in the Children's Classroom in Gabard. (This is the first classroom on the left in the preschool hallway.)

<u>We Love Christ Church Stewardship Dinner</u> will be held tonight at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts (located at: 527 N. Patterson Street, Valdosta) from 6-8:30 p.m. Free childcare and dinner will be provided at Christ Church in the Gabard Building for children of all ages from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m.

<u>Stitchers of Love and Vespers</u> will not meet this evening, to give participants the opportunity to attend the Stewardship Dinner.

<u>The Tuesday Night Bible study</u> led by Willa Valencia, will be held on October 4, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at the home of Ron and Tammy Borders (1718 Williams St.). All adults are welcome. Please bring your Bible—any translation.

<u>Grace Café Food Pantry</u> – Food Pantry at Grace Café is in need of restocking. They have plenty of Rami noodles and Oatmeal, but could use Chef Boyardee individual Meals, Tuna and Chicken in Cans or packets, Easy Mac & Cheese, Quick Rice, Canned Beans or Soup, Individual Packets of Nuts, Granola Bars, Peanut Butter, Applesauce & Fruit Cups, Pasta, Fruits

Lunch Bunch - Lunch Bunch will meet in the Parish Hall beginning at 10:30 a.m. on October 8, 2022.

Sunday Brunch, October 9th - Christ Church will host a church-wide brunch immediately after the 10 am service on October 9th. We hope you will join us for this time of food and fellowship.

Special Notes – (cont.)

Annual Blessing of the Animals – will be held on Sunday, October 9th beginning at 2:00 p.m. St Francis' Feast Day will be Tuesday, October 4th. We celebrate his unique relationship to nature and to animals by having a blessing of animals around that time each year. This year, we will celebrate St. Francis by blessing animals on **Sunday, October 9th**. Regathering **at 2 pm**, which will give you time to go home and gather your pets. If you bring a cat or a reptile, we would suggest caging them. Dogs and cats tend to create friction when closely aligned.

Attention EYC youth and parents! Mark your calendars for the Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) 22/23 kickoff meeting (and pizza party) on Sunday, October 16th at 6 pm in the youth room in the Gabard Building. Besides pizza and fellowship, we'll also have the chance to talk about our ideas for EYC and get input from youth and parents in a casual gathering. Let us know you're coming by Wednesday October 12th by emailing the church office (office@christchurchvaldosta.org). See y'all there!

<u>Dave Clark – Build for the Cure: - Habitat House 2022</u> – The Dave Clark Build for the Cure House construction will begin on Saturday, October 15th in the parking lot of Habitat for Humanity located at 2010 Cypress Street, Valdosta where the building of the walls will take place. The build on-site will now begin on Tuesday, October 18th where the walls built on Saturday will be erected. The build will continue daily Monday – Saturday until the house is complete. Hopefully by November 5th our Goal Date. Volunteers are welcome any day, time and duration.

Oktoberfest this year is Thursday, October 20th, with the biergarten opening at 6:00 p.m. and dinner served around 6:30. On the menu: Usinger's bratwurst from Milwaukee, potato salad and tossed salad, sauerkraut and other pickled things, rye bread, and beer and wine. Cost will be \$15 per person. Please note that this is an adult gathering for those 21 and older (please have proof of age with you). Childcare will be available in the Gabard Building. Since Jane needs to know how many bratwurst to order, please sign up before October 6th. There will be a sign-up sheet in the parish hall, or you can call the church office to leave your name. If you'd like to contribute by bringing potato salad (German or "regular") or sauerkraut, there'll also be a sign-up sheet for that in the parish hall. Danke schön!

<u>Special Notes – (cont.)</u>

Save the dates: Below is a list of upcoming calendar dates. A calendar link has been added to the bottom of the Christ Church website homepage as well. More details will be distributed when the events get closer, but we wanted to get these dates out so you can mark your calendars:

Oct. 2: We Love Christ Church Stewardship Dinner Oct. 4: Tuesday Night Bible Study – 7:30 pm – Borders' Home **Oct. 8:** Lunch Bunch – 10:30 – Parish Hall * Oct. 9: Parish Brunch after 10:00 service Oct. 9: Blessings of the Animals – 2:00 front lawn Oct. 13: Thursday Dinner – Grace Café * Oct. 15: Building Walls at Habitat Parking Lot on Cypress Oct. 16: EYC Youth and Parent Kick-off – 6:00 p.m. – Gabard * Oct. 18 – Nov. 5: Dave Clark "Build for the Cure" on site Oct. 20: Oktoberfest **Oct. 21:** HEP Lunch – 12:00 – John & Marcia McRae's Oct. 22: Lunch Bunch – 10:30 – Parish Hall Oct. 30: Trunk or Treat – Front Parking Lot after 10:00 service Nov. 6: Parish Picnic-Marvin & Lyn Dickey's farm at Buckhead in Ouitman Nov. 19: Dedication of Dave Clark "Build for the Cure" Home **Nov. 24:** Thanksgiving Day Pot Luck – 2:00 pm – Parish Hall Dec. 3: Children's Christmas Party and Parade Watching * Denotes Date change

Serving Today

LEM: John McRae, Stefani Carroll, Maddie Yarbrough Lectors: John McRae, Stefani Carroll, Maddie Yarbrough Acolytes: Joel Williams, Phyllis Holland, Nancy Lutsko Altar Guild: Team 1 – Sandra Fletcher, Rita Hightower, Sallie Honeycutt, Amber Tanner Ushers: Alex Alvarez, Eric Nielsen, Delrick Bradley, Carter Coleman Coffee Hour: Bonnie Hanson, Phyllis Holland, Elise Sandbach Live-stream Crew: Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker