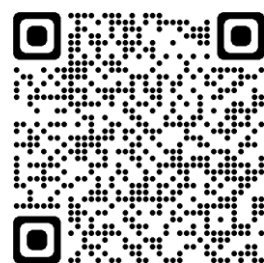


# Christ Episcopal Church



April 23, 2023  
10:00 a.m.



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



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Easter III

Rite II

Welcome to Christ Church!

Mobile text number simply text your gift amount to **844-928-4938**

**Prelude – *In the Garden*** Mark Hayes

**Opening Hymn – *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*** Hymn 174

**Opening Salutation** BCP 355

**Collect for Purity** BCP 355

**Gloria** Hymnal S280

**The Collect of the Day** BCP 224

**The Lessons** (See Insert)

**Gospel Hymn: *Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*** Hymn 200

**The Sermon – The Rev. Hal Weidman**

**The Nicene Creed** BCP 358

**Prayers of the People (Form III)** BCP 387

**The Peace** BCP 360

**Announcements – please be seated**

**Offertory** Choir

**Doxology** Hymn 380 vs. 3

## THE EUCHARIST

**Eucharistic Prayer D** BCP 372

**Sanctus** Hymnal S125

**The Lord's Prayer** BCP 364

**Fraction Anthem** Hymnal S154

**The Communion** BCP 365

**Communion Hymns – *Come Risen Lord, and Deign to be Our Guest*** Hymn 305

***Shepherds of Souls, Refresh and Bless*** Hymn 343

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** BCP 366

**Blessing**

**Hymn – *We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More*** BCP 296

**Dismissal** BCP 366

**Postlude – *Voluntary on Engleberg*** Charles Callahan

## Special Notes

**Welcome** to our worship service we are so glad you're here! Father Hal, the Vestry, an Usher or a member are available to welcome you and answer any questions you might have.

**Needlepoint on display** - *The Creation Series* needlepoint exhibit with six panels stitched by Christ Church member Sally Nunn will hang in our Parish Hall for the Easter Season. Be sure to view these striking works of art and thank her for sharing her talent with us.

**Newcomer Dinner** - All visitors and new members are cordially invited to a welcome dinner on Sunday, April 30, 2023, beginning at 6:00 P.M. The dinner will be hosted by the Newcomer Team at the residence of Nikki and Bobby Yarbrough (4700 Skipper Bridge Road, Hahira, GA 31632). All ages are welcome. To RSVP, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall (by the display case) or call/text Martin Holland (770-605-2461) before April 23, 2023. We eagerly anticipate meeting our newest members and guests!

**Media Team hosts an information session for Listen Everywhere** – The Media Team is planning an information session for our new, assistive listening audio system (Listen Everywhere). The session will be on May 7, after the 8:00 service and before the 10:00 service. We will meet in the front Parish Hall. Anyone interested in learning more about the system can attend.

**Parish Retreat** – Christ Church will be holding a weekend Parish Retreat at Honey Creek from May 19 – May 21, 2023. A single lodge room with meal is about \$270 for weekend. A double lodge room with meals is about \$350 for weekend. More details are available in the Friday bulletin. Please sign-up by May 5<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall. Please contact Jeani Synyard (jsynyard@bellsouth.net or 229-834-6004) if you have further questions.

**Vacation Bible School** has been scheduled for Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 9-12. Theme is "Summer Camp for Jesus". Registration information will be forthcoming and will open soon. Volunteers to help with V.B.S. are needed. Please let Keri Wilkins (229-412-5630 or kwilkin83@gmail.com) know if you are willing to assist.

## Upcoming Dates:

- April 23** – 10a – Nursery & Children's Church – Gabard Building  
6p – EYC – Gabard Building EYC room
- April 25** – 7:30p - Tuesday Night Bible Study – Ron & Tammy Borders' home
- April 26** – 6p – Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary  
7p – Choir Practice - Sanctuary
- April 27** – 6:30 – Grace Café Dinner – Parish Hall
- April 30** – 10a – Nursery & Children's Church – Gabard Building  
6p – EYC – Gabard Building EYC room  
6p – Newcomer Dinner at Nikki & Bobby Yarbrough's home
- May 2** – 7:30p - Tuesday Night Bible Study – Ron & Tammy Borders' home
- May 3** – 6p – Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary  
7p – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
- May 6** – Youth Fundraiser – Parking for VSU Graduation
- May 7** – 8:35a - Listen Everywhere information session – Parish Hall

## Serving today:

**Eucharistic Minister:** Eric Nielsen, David Sandbach, Julia Ariail

**Lectors:** David Sandbach, Ruth Holland, Julia Ariail

**Acolytes:** Maddie Yarbrough, Blake Yarbrough, Nancy Lutsko

**Altar Guild:** Team 4 – Debi Saeger, Julia Ariail, Lucy Tomberlin, B.J. Mistick

**Ushers:** David Blevins, Jason Reynolds, Sparky Greneker

**Greeter:** Nikki Yarbrough

**Coffee Hour:** Phyllis Hiers, Patricia Tyson, Julia Ariail, Jeri-Lyn Flowers

**Media Crew:** Tom Carroll, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker



## OUR MINISTERS OF THE GOSPEL

The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia  
All Christ Church Families & Friends are Ministers

The Rev. Hal Weidman, Rector

Kim Dudley, Church Administrator

Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper

Elise Sandbach, Director of Preschool & PMO

Keri Wilkin, Director of Children's Ministry

Chris Rutland & Joel Williams, Co-Directors of EYC

Charles Whiting, Director of College Ministry

Issa Young, Director of Music

Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist

## OUR VISION

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

### VESTRY

2023	2024	2025
Brad Burnette	Jeani Synyard	Phyllis Holland
Sandra Fletcher	Patricia Tyson	Steve Honeycutt
Dottie Pitts	Joel Williams	Molly Stevenson
Al Turner	Larry Wisenbaker	Mike Tanner

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Al Turner (Senior Warden)  
Steve Honeycutt (Junior Warden)  
Sandra Fletcher (Secretary)  
Stefani Carroll (Treasurer)

**The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook**

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[www.youtube.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA](http://www.youtube.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA)

### Committee Chairs

Altar Guild – Frances Guice  
Acolyte, EM & Lector – Nancy Lutsko  
Adult Formation & DOK – Molly Stevenson  
Choir – Sue Ellen Rumstay  
College Ministry & Finance – Stefani Carroll  
Foyer Groups, Parish Life & Stewardship – Jeani Synyard  
Habitat for Humanity & Men in Blue – Mike Tanner  
Hospitality – Pat Denmark  
Jamming for Jesus – Stella Clark  
Lunch Bunch – David Sandbach  
Media – Larry Wisenbaker  
Newcomer – Martin Holland  
Preschool – Anne Shenton  
St. Francis Ministry – Eleanor Parten  
Stitchers of Love – Rev. Dcn. Patricia Marks, Julia Ariail  
Ushers – John McRae  
Vespers – Phyllis Hiers

The church office is located at 103 East College Street.  
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e-mail address: Father Hal – [rector@christchurchvaldosta.org](mailto:rector@christchurchvaldosta.org)  
Church website: [www.christchurchvaldosta.org](http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org)  
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## The Lessons

### First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, <sup>36</sup>“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” <sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” <sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

### Psalms 116-1-3, 10-17

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*Dilexi, quoniam*

<sup>1</sup> **I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.**

<sup>2</sup> **The cords of death entangled me;  
the grip of the grave took hold of me;  
I came to grief and sorrow.**

<sup>3</sup> **Then I called upon the Name of the LORD:  
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

<sup>10</sup> **How shall I repay the LORD  
for all the good things he has done for me?**

<sup>11</sup> **I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

<sup>12</sup> **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people.**

<sup>13</sup> **Precious in the sight of the LORD  
is the death of his servants.**

<sup>14</sup> **O LORD, I am your servant;  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.**

<sup>15</sup> **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.**

<sup>16</sup> **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people,**

<sup>17</sup> **In the courts of the LORD's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!**

## Second Reading

### 1 Peter 1:17-23

<sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. <sup>22</sup>Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

## Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup>Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup>He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.