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OUR VISION

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

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The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook

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Christ Episcopal Church





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November 26, 2023 10:00 a.m.

The church office is located at 103 East College Street. Mailing address: 1521 N. Patterson St., Valdosta, GA 31602 Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM – 3 PM e-mail address: Father Hal – rector@christchurchvaldosta.org Church website: www.christchurchvaldosta.org

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



November 26, 2023

Last Sunday of Pentecost / Proper 29 Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Welcome to Christ Church!

Mobile text your gift to **844-928-4938**

THE WORD OF GOD	
Prelude – Hyfrydol	Paul Manz
Opening Hymn – Alleluia Sing to Jesus	Hymn 460
Opening Salutation Collect for Purity Gloria The Collect of the Day The Lessons Gospel Hymn: Lead On, O King Eternal	BCP 355 BCP 355 Hymnal S280 BCP 236 (See Insert) Hymn 555
The Sermon	The Rev. Robert Carr
The Nicene Creed Prayers of the People (Form II) Confession of Sin The Peace Announcements – please be seated Offertory – Aint'a That Good News, trad. Spiritual - arr. by	
Doxology	Hymn 380 vs. 3
THE HOLY COMMUNION Eucharistic Prayer A Sanctus The Lord's Prayer Fraction Anthem The Communion	BCP 361 Hymnal S130 BCP 364 Hymnal S154 BCP 365
Communion Hymns – Before the Lord's Eternal Throne Lord, Whose Love Through Humble	Service Hymn 391 Hymn 610
Prayer of Thanksgiving Blessing Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns Dismissal	BCP 366 Hymn 494 BCP 366
Postlude – Crown Him with Many Crowns	

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 your questions.

<u>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES</u> At 9:15am, Children in the 5th grade and younger meet in the Education (Gabard) Building. Also, at 9:15AM Chris Roan continues her adult class on the Sunday Bible readings in the Parish Hall. At 5PM students in the 6th - 12th grades will meet in EYC Room in the Education Building.

NURSERY OPENS AT 9:00AM – The Nursery opens on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. This will give those with children 2 and under the opportunity to participate in Christian Education each Sunday morning. Children 3 and up attend Christian Education beginning at 9:15am.

EVENING PRAYER is held on Monday evenings beginning at 5:30 p.m. We invite you to join us.

THE TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY led by Willa Valencia, is held at 7:30pm at the home of Ron and Tammy Borders (1718 Williams St.). All adults are welcome. Please bring your Bible—any translation.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY begins at 6:30 pm at the home of Ron & Tammy Borders located at 1718 Williams St. We are studying *Encountering God-Cultivating Habits of Faith through the Spiritual Disciplines*. If anyone is interested in knowing more or would like a book, you can call or text Tammy at 229-560-5889.

<u>THE STITCHERS OF LOVE</u> need your donations of new or gently used stuffed animals to donate to the Children's Advocacy Center to comfort and soothe abused children. Contact Deacon Patricia Marks at 229-630-8644 or bring the animals to the Christ Church Office.

THE WEEK AHEAD

November 26 – 10a – Holy Eucharist
6p – Vespers - Zoom
November 27 - 5:30p – Evening Prayer – Sanctuary
November 28 – 10a – Garden Guild – Church Grounds
7:30p – Valencia Bible Study – Borders' Home
November 29 – 6:30p – Bible Study – Borders' Home
7p – Choir Practice – Sanctuary
December 3 – 8 & 10a – Holy Eucharist
11:15a – Advent Wreath Making – Parish Hall
5p – EYC – Gabard Building
6p – Vespers

SERVERS

Eucharistic Ministers: Eric Nielsen, David Sandbach, Julia Ariail

Lectors: David Sandbach, Julia Ariail, Rita Watters

Acolytes: Nancy Lutsko, Haley Hood, Elizabeth Hood, Mara Shenton

Altar Guild: Debi Saeger, Julia Ariail, Lucy Tomberlin **Ushers**: David Blevins, Jason Reynolds, Sparky Greneker

Greeter: Dottie Pitts

Coffee Hour: Robin Coleman, Debbie McLeod, Jeani Synyard, Margaret Mittiga, Lucille Sineath

Audio/Visual Crew: Julius Ariail. Glen Flowers

THE GARDEN GUILD will meet on Tuesday, November 28th at 10:00am. We focus on the church grounds. The Garden Guild meets each Tuesday at 10. More hardworking people are welcome to join us. Bring your gloves and tools.





KOATS FOR KIDS - Christ Church will be collecting gently used and new children's coats throughout November. Please consider donating children's coats of all sizes for kids in need this winter. A box will be placed in the Parrish hall. Please contact Lauren Darby for more information: (229) 630-2229.

HEP LUNCH GATHERING - HEP Nooners (aka Happy Episcopal People) meet on Friday. Dec 15 at noon, at the home of John & Marića McRae. Please bring sandwiches to share host will have soup, teas, and desserts. John and Marića McRae (2701 Green Meadow Dr.) or 229-220-5619



HEP (Happy Episcopal People) Party Saturday, December 23, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

H.E.P. Party: Adult Friends and Family Welcome Saturday, December 23, 2023 at 6:00 PM at David and Elise Sandbach's - 2607 Pebblewood Dr . Please mark your calendar and plan to come and enjoy an evening of Christmas Cheer .

Drinks will be provided, please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share.

Remember this is an adult only gathering. Childcare will be provided at the church in Gabard Building.



Please note the date change – Michelle has tested positive for COVID. Kick off the Church New Year (Advent) at our annual **Advent Wreath-making Event Sunday, December 3rd** after the 10:00 service in the Parish Hall. Everything needed to make a fresh greenery Advent wreath will be available. If you have a wreath frame already, please bring it. If you would like to help provide greenery, please bring it with you next Sunday or call or text Michelle Weidman. We will have some advent candles

available for purchase for \$8.

PLEDGE CARDS are still being accepted if you have not turned one in yet. Please turn in your pledge cards as soon as possible this aids the Finance Committee to work on the budget for 2024. Thank you for your continued support of Christ Church!

We have received **68pledges** for a total of **\$393,830.00**Out of those pledges: **1 new** pledge totaling \$500.00 **7** has **previously given** but not pledged totaling \$31,420.00 **28** pledges **stayed the same** totaling \$120,330.00 **27 increased** their pledge totaling \$200,080.00 with an increase of \$39,200.00 **5 decreased** their pledge totaling \$41,500.00 with a decrease of \$11,060.00 (making our overall pledge increase total \$28,140.00)

CONSIDERING BAPTISM? - Have you ever considered being baptized and just haven't gotten around to it? Well, now is the time. Fr Hal will hold a preparation class for you and parents and godparents/sponsors (for those individuals not capable for answering questions of faith). The class meets at 11:15a.m. on December 10th, and 17th in



the Sanctuary. The Sunday we celebrate Jesus's baptism, January 7th, we will baptize those who are interested."

The Lessons First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

¹¹For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. ²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Psalm 100 (Unison) BCP 729

Jubilate Deo

¹Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness

and come before his presence with a song.

² Know this: The Lord himself is God;

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

go into his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

⁴ For the Lord is good;

his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures fro

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is

the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 25:31-46

³¹"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³ and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you? ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' 41Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you? 45 Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Remember in your prayers: Ann Burnette, the Cortese family, Allan Dear, Irene Dodd, Bishop Tom Ely, Gene Greneker, Merrill Guice, Louise Harden, Peter Ingeman, Michane James, CathyAnn Kautter, Mike Lassen, the Mathis family, the Mistick family, Gnann Moser, Ray Murphy, Brett Nelson, Rocky, the Sanders family, the Stevenson family, Willa Valencia, Michelle Weidman, Chuck Whiting

Sam Cortese – Deceased Brianna Long – Deceased Lois Stevenson – Deceased