Christ Episcopal Church





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May 12, 2024 10:00 a.m.

It is appropriate for Christ Church's families and friends, to arrive at church early so we can calm down, be silent, and pray in preparation for the sacred acts that are about to happen. Please respect the wishes of those who come early for worship by staying as quiet as you can. Please refrain from greeting your neighbor until coffee hour in the Parish Hall. If you must talk with someone, please exit the nave, and speak with them outside the church proper by the Christ Church sign. If you are serving in the service, please gather outside the church by our sign. Thank you, grace and peace, Fr Hal





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Holy Eucharist. Rite II

The Sunday after Ascension Day

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor	Michael Burkhardt
Opening Hymn – <i>Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor</i>	Hymn 307
Opening Salutation	BCP 355
Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria	Hymnal S280
The Collect of the Day	BCP 226
The Lessons	(See Insert)
Gospel Hymn – Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise	Hymn 214
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 – Bless the Lord O My Soul b	y Mikail M. Ippolitov–Ivanof
Doxology	Hymn 380 vs. 3
THE HOLY COMMUNION	N
Eucharistic Prayer D	BCP 372
Sanctus	Hymn S129
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymn S154
The Communion	BCP 364
Communion Hymn – Draw Nigh and Take the Body of th	he Lord Hymn 328
When Christ was Lifted from the Earth	Hymn 603
Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP 365
Blessing	
Hymn – The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns	s Hymn 483
Dismissal	BCP 366
Postlude – <i>Llanfair</i>	by Wilber Held

Special Notes

<u>WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE</u>. 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.

ON PENTACOST SUNDAY, MAY 19TH. Ms. Sally Baker will be giving the Sermon to the church.

PMO/PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION CONTINUES – Call the office for more information.

<u>GRADUATION SUNDAY</u>: We will be celebrating and honoring graduates during our 10a service on Sunday, May 19th. This day is also Pentecost. Please submit your graduate(s)' name(s) to <u>office@christchurchvaldosta.org</u> before noon on Wednesday, May 15th so we may salute them in our Bulletin. We invite you to provide your graduate's full name, school graduating from, degree/certificate received and, if future plans are known provide them. Thank you. Grace and Peace – Fr. Hal.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be June 3-6. This year's theme is, "Earth, Stars, Hands, & Hearts." Contact Michelle Weidman 229.262.0426 for more information.

<u>SUMMER CHURCH CAMP at HONEY CREEK</u> - Diocese of Georgia's 100th Summer Camp is coming up starting with High School age – June 2-8; Middle School June 9 – 15; Elementary School – June 16 – 22. Registration for each session is open, and scholarship assistance is available. For more information contact the Diocese of Georgia 912-236-4279. Summer Camp director Karen Mackenzie Bell – Email <u>karenmackenziebell@gmail.com</u>

WE HAVE THREE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DIFIBRILLATORS – Thanks to Mike Tanner for installation in the Hall, Office Building and Church.

The Week Ahead:

OUR MINISTERS OF THE GOSPEL

The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia <u>All Christ Church Families & Friends are Ministers</u> Hal Weidman, Pastor & Priest Nancy Sartin, Deacon Peggy Baer, Administrative Assistant Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper Michelle Weidman, Director of Christian Education Jeri-Lyn Flowers, Director of College Ministry Elise Sandbach, Director of Preschool & PMO Issa Young, Choir Director Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist Nancy Lutsko, Verger

Regular Church Services

Sunday	8 a.m.	Eucharist Rite I
	9 a.m.	Nursery
	9:15 a.m.	Christian Education (all ages)
	10:00 a.m.	Eucharist Rite II
	5:30 p.m.	EYC
	6:00 p.m.	Vespers (1 st & 3 rd – Sanctuary)
		$(2^{nd} \text{ and } 4^{th} - \text{Zoom})$
Monday	5:30 p.m.	Evening Prayer

To receive church E-mails, The Friday Vineyard and Newsletter TEXT ccvaldosta to 22828

The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook

www.facebook.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA www.youtube.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA

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First Lesson:

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Psalm:

Psalm: 1

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
² Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *

and they meditate on his law day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Lesson:

1 John 5:9-13

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Gospel:

John 17:6-19

⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

PENTECOST, MAY 19TH: means "fiftieth day." It's found in both testaments in the Bible; Old and New. In the Old it denotes the Feast of Weeks, an agricultural event focusing on the harvest of first fruits. It was the 50th day after Passover. In the New it's used to refer to the coming of the spirit on the day of Pentecost, after Jesus's death, resurrection, and ascension.

We understand its meaning as the gift of the spirit. It fulfills Jesus' promise to his followers to send an advocate. The speaking in tongues, which was a major effect of having received a spirit, is taken by some to symbolize the church's worldwide mission. This day is one of the seven principal feasts in the Episcopal Church year. As part of our celebration of this day and at both services, we will pray the Lord's Prayer twice. First, I'm *encouraging* you to pray it in a language of your family tree. Another option is to pray it in a language you may know, other than English. Then, we will pray the Lord's Prayer together in English. Why? More will be revealed... Grace and peace, Fr Hal

Remember in your prayers: Mimi Allen. Don Brice, Alexis Carr, Jeanna Culpepper, Janet Dickman, Gene Greneker, Joshua Hanson, Louise Harden, Greg Holland, Peter Ingeman, Michane James, Peggy Lawson Kight, Mike Lassen, Mindy Meeker, Gnann Moser, Ray Murphy, Richard Rigby, Rocky, Juanita Quinn, Lucy Tomberlin, Rita Watters, Michelle Weidman, Jacquie Wheeler, Gordon Zeese

Family of Genevieve Creasy