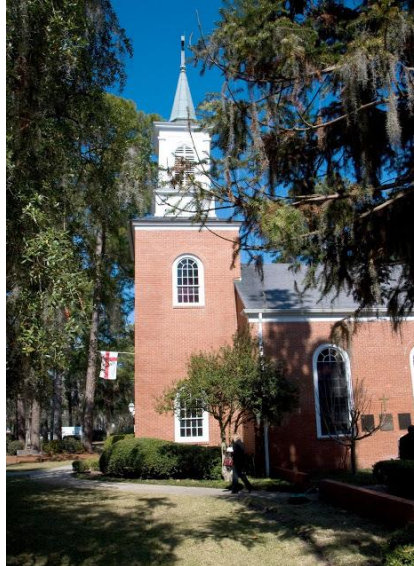


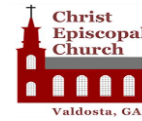
Christ Episcopal Church



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September 29, 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. Thank you, grace and peace, Fr. Hal



September 29, 2024

Welcome to Christ Church!

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Eucharist, Rite II



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – Allegro from L'Autunno	by Vivaldi, arr. by S. Drummond Wolff
Opening Hymn – <i>What a Crowd of Witnesses</i>	Hymn 545
Opening Salutation	BCP 355
Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria	Hymnal S280
The Collect of the Day	BCP 234
The Lessons	(See Insert)
Gospel Hymn – <i>Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers</i>	Hymn 509
The Sermon	Fr. Hal Weidman
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People (Form IV)	BCP 388
Confession & Absolution	BCP 360
The Peace	BCP 360
Announcements – Please Be Seated	
Offertory – <i>Hear O Lord</i>	by Felix Mendelssohn, arr. by Hal Hopson

Doxology Hymn 380 vs. 3

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B	BCP 367
Sanctus	Hymn S129
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymn S154
The Communion	BCP 602
Communion Hymn – <i>Shepard of Souls Refresh and Bless</i>	Hymn 343
<i>Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life</i>	Hymn 609
The Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Hymn – <i>Go Forth for God, go to the World in Peace</i>	Hymn 347
Dismissal	BCP 366
Postlude – Allegro from L'Autunno	by Vivaldi, arr. by S. Drummond Wolff

First Lesson:**Numbers 11:4-6,10-16,24-29**

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” ¹⁰Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.” ¹⁶So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. ²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. ²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” ²⁹But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

Psalm: Psalm 19:7-14**BCP p. 606**

- ⁷ **The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.**
- ⁸ **The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**
- ⁹ **The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**
- ¹⁰ **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

¹¹ **By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.**

¹² **Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.**

¹³ **Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins, let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.**

¹⁴ **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

Second Lesson:**James 5:13-20**

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. ¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner’s soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Gospel:**Mark 9:38-50**

³⁸John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” ³⁹But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. ⁴²“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹“For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another

Remember in Your Prayers: Mimi Allen, Justin Allen, Connie Flowers, Greg Greneker, Louise Harden, Peter Ingeman, Jason LaFleur, Leigh Long, Doug Mayer, Rusty McCall, Marge McCartney, Mindy Meeker, Gnann Moser, Ray Murphy, Bob Owens, Emily Paulk, Madison Proctor, Sally Querin, Della Richards, Richard Rigby, Rocky, James Smith, Gary Thomas, Julie Van Ham, Tami Tyson Windell, Gordon Zeese

We are keeping those in need of prayer on the list for 1 month. We ask you to renew the need for continued prayer by calling the office. - Fr. Hal

Special Notes

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

A real community has a listening heart. Our community takes its inspiration from one of humankind's greatest listeners, Jesus of Nazareth. He was the most paradoxical human, a person of deep and clear conviction who nevertheless had room for others. The late Henri Nouwen, a great spiritual teacher, once said, "someone filled with ideas, concepts and opinions cannot be a good host. There is prejudices, worries, jealousies, there is little room for a stranger." In this place, we are not perfect. But we work and pray always that we will have room for one another, and for any seeker and stranger who comes here. Welcome to a house with inner space. Grace and peace, Hal; Pastor and Priest.

NEWEST MEMBER TO THE CHRIST CHURCH FAMILY!

Leigh and Tony Long would like to announce the birth of their grandson, John Preston Betts. He was born September 11, 2024, at 1:08p. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. and was 21 inches long. John Preston's parents are Pate and Caroline (Prine) Betts. The proud grandparents are Troy and Leigh Long, Greg and Julie Prine and Tony and Melissa Betts. Both parents and John Preston are doing well. We are all thankful for this gift from God.

FIRST WEDNESDAY PROGRAMMING: A Spirituality of Fundraising by Henri Nouwen.

Fundraising can be an incredibly important, often misunderstood, and notoriously challenging task. Reading Henri Nouwen's book *A Spirituality of Fundraising* has the power to motivate you to embrace fundraising in a positive, life giving, and deeply human and spiritual task.

For the next two first Wednesdays of the month, October 2nd, and November 6th and after a 6PM Eucharist and a covered dish meal our programming begins. In the first one, Fr. Hal will lead us through Nouwen's book as the basis for our Stewardship ministry. Nouwen is not an expert on developing the various skills and practices often employed by people who fundraise. His credibility came from his profound understanding of the heart. Won't you come, bring a friend and/or family member and a covered dish to share.

ELISE SANDBACH DAY – TODAY

The church will gather after the service in the parish hall to Celebrate Elise Sandbach's 30 Years of Dedicated Service to the Christ Church Pre-school. The Men in Blue will be grilling, Hamburgers, Hotdogs and Pork Tenderloin,

THURSDAY MORNING EUCHARIST

As of September 12th, the Thursday morning Eucharist is being held in the church nave. It starts at 7:00am. All Valdosta area Episcopal churches are involved in this service. The group will go to breakfast afterwards. We hope to see you there.

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OKTOBERFEST: Deadline to RSVP - Monday, September 30 – Noon.

Thursday, October 17th, 6:00p Biergarten 6:30p Dinner served

On the menu: Usinger's bratwurst from Milwaukee, potato salad and tossed salad, sauerkraut and other pickled things, rye bread, beer and wine. *Cost \$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.

RSVP DUE by Noon on Monday, September 30th. An Attendance RSVP Sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall on the Bulletin Board or call Peggy in the church office at (229) 242-5115. **Danke Scho**

SERVING THIS WEEK (September 29)

- **Eucharistic Ministers:** Phyllis Holland, John McRae, Mike Tanner
 - **Lectors:** Sallie Honeycutt, Phyllis Holland, Pat Denmark
 - **Acolytes:** Phyllis Holland, Elizabeth Hood, Haley Hood
- **Altar Guild:** Nancy Lutsko, Frances Guice, Judy Demott, Happy and Peter Ingeman
 - **Ushers:** Mike Tanner, Paul Stevenson, Cameron Prevost
 - **Greeter:** Nikki Yarbrough
 - **Audio/Visual Crew:** Julius Ariail, Larry Wisenbaker
- **Coffee Hour Hosts:** Phyllis Hiers, Patricia Tyson, Julia Ariail, Jeri-Lyn flowers/ Sally Nunn

The Week Ahead:

September 29th – St. Anna Alexander Day

8a – Holy Eucharist – Rite I

9a – Nursery

9:15a - Christian Education (Adults)

9:45a – Children's Education

10a – Holy Eucharist – Rite II

11:15a – Coffee Hour

5:30p - EYC

6p – Vespers – Zoom

September 30th – **6p** – Clergy Conference – Honey Creek

October 1st – **7:30p** – W. Valencia Bible Study

October 2nd - **6p** – Eucharist

6:30p – Gathering with covered dish

7p – Choir

October 3rd – **7a** – Eucharist – Rite II

Sanctuary

7:30a – Breakfast - TBD

October 4th – Office Closed

October 5th – **10a** – Altar Guild



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

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	8:00a	Eucharist Rite I
	9:00a	Nursery
	9:15a	Christian Education (Adult)
	9:45a	Children's Education
	10:00a	Eucharist Rite II
	6:00p	Vespers (1 st & 3 rd – Sanctuary) (2 nd and 4 th – Zoom)

The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook

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