Christ Episcopal Church





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November 10, 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



Welcome to Christ Church!



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Twenty- fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Eucharist, Rite II

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – Come Thou Fount of Many Blessings	by Gordon Young
Opening Hymn – Come Thou Fount of Many Blessings	Hymn 551
Opening Salutation	BCP 355
Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria	Hymnal S280
The Collect of the Day	BCP236
The Lessons	(See Insert)
Gospel Hymn – As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brough	t Hymn 705
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 – Praise Ye the Lord	by Camille Saint Saens
Doxology	Hymn 380 vs. 3

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer	BCP 367
Sanctus	Hymn S129
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymn S154
The Communion	BCP 602
Communion Hymn – Lord Make Us Servants of Your Peace	Hymn 593
Blest are the Pure in Heart	Hymn 656
The Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Hymn – God of Grace and God of Glory	Hymn 594
Dismissal	BCP 366
Postlude – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	by John Hughes arr. by Mark Kellner

First Lesson:

1 Kings 17:8-16

BCP p. 803

⁸Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ⁹"Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there: for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹²But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die."¹³Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Psalm: 146

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul! *

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

- ² Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, * for there is no help in them.
- ³ When they breathe their last, they return to earth, * and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁴ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! * whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- ⁵ Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; * who keeps his promise for ever;
- ⁶ Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, * and food to those who hunger.

⁷ The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *

the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

⁸ The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; * he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
⁹ The Lord shall reign for ever, * your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Second Lesson:

Hallelujah!

Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself.²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Gospel:

Mark 12:38-44

³⁸As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." ⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny.⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

Pray for t the Kurjack /Bezona Families, the Moser Family and the family of Rev. Bob Hughes.

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.

THANKSGIVING DINNER WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christ Church would like having a Thanksgiving dinner in the parish hall for Thanksgiving. Please contact Peggy in the church office at 292.242.5115 and let her know if you are interested. *Deadline for feedback is November 18th at Noon.*

FR. HAL'S OFFICE HOURS

Father Hal is available in his office to meet with you on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10a – 12p, unless he is out of town. Appointments are encouraged.

FIRST WEDNESDAY PROGRAMMING: November 6. 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.

November 6 at 6:00pm. Eucharist followed by a covered dish meal, after the meal, Fr. Hal will lead us through Nouwen's book as the basis for our Stewardship ministry. Although Nouwen is not an expert on developing the various skills and practices often employed by people who fundraise. Instead, 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.

THURSDAY MORNING EUCHARIST

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

FORWARD DAY BY DAY BOOKS AVAILABLE for November through January. They are placed in various areas of the church sanctuary and the parish hall. Peggy has both the small books and the large print booklets in her office.

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers on the altar this morning are given by Jeani Synyard in Memory of Mike Synyard.

Serving this week – November 10, 2024

Eucharistic Ministers: Sheri Gravett, David Sandbach, Jeani Synyard Lectors: Jeani Synyard, Rita Watters, Ruth Holland Acolytes: Phyllis Holland, David Holland, Holly Holland Altar Guild: Phyllis Holland, Anne Reid, Mimi Allen, Pat Bezona Ushers: Bobbi Yarbrough, Blake Yarbrough, Glen Flowers Greeter: Rita Watters Audio/Visual Crew: Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker, Julius Ariail

Coffee Hour Hosts: Sallie Honeycutt, Pat Denmark, Ann Burnette, Pat Bezona

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 Vestry Cliff Baker, John Heirs, Phyllis Holland, Steve Honeycutt, Becky Meadors, Ed Mistick, Molly Stevenson, Jeani Synyard,

Mike Tanner, Patricia Tyson, Larry Wisenbaker, Bobby Yarbrough, and Father Hal Weidman



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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