

The Holy Eucharist  
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# Welcome to Christ Church!

Sunday, March 16, 2025

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Second Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist Rite I



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude – <i>Mit Freuden Zart</i>	by Michael D. Costello
Processional Hymn – <i>The God of Abraham Praise</i>	Hymnal 401
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Postlude - <i>If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee</i>	J.S. Bach

## The Collect:

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Old Testament:

### Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. <sup>7</sup>Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup>But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup>He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." <sup>10</sup>He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. <sup>11</sup>And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. <sup>12</sup>As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. <sup>17</sup>When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup>On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

*The organist will play through the chant once, then all are invited to chant the Psalm with the choir.*



## Psalm: 27

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- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? \*  
the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, \*  
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, \*  
yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, \*  
yet will I put my trust in him.

5 One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; \*  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

8 Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*  
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

10 Harken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \*  
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, \*  
the Lord will sustain me.

15 Show me your way, O Lord; \*  
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, \*  
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.

17 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord \*  
in the land of the living!

18 O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; \*  
wait patiently for the Lord.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now,  
And will be for ever. Amen.

Epistle:

**Philippians 3:17-4:1**

<sup>17</sup>Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>1</sup>Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Gospel:

**Luke 13:31-35**

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

**Remember in Your Prayers:** Mimi Allen, Bryan Allman, Alexis Carr, Luke Cowart, Michael Curry, Lisa Day, Irene Dodd, Anita Ebersole, Jackie Elam, Harriet Flowers, Joe Glenn, Sammy Grenaker, Louise Harden, Gail & Walter Hobgood, Sallie Honeycutt, Peter Ingeman, Kerri Kent, Jason LaFleur, Leigh Long, Dennis Marks, Doug Mayer, Katherine Mayer, Cindy Moses, David Parker, Morris Phillips, Johnny Price, Sally Querin, Richard Rigby, Rocky, Barbara Shirley, James Smith, Teresa Stevens, Gary Thomas, Julie Van Ham, Hal & Michelle Weidman.

*Especially the family of Laura Paine.*

### Serving This Week

**Eucharistic Ministers:** John McRae, Sheri Gravett, Phyllis Holland  
**Lectors:** Daphne Wright, John McRae, Phyllis Holland  
**Acolytes:** Joel Williams, Polly Collins, Molly Stevenson  
**Altar Guild:** Frances Guice, Krystle Black, Nikki Yarbrough, Martha Leake  
**Ushers:** David Blevins, Tom Carroll  
**Greeter:** Dottie Pitts  
**Audio/Visual Crew:** Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Sallie Honeycutt, Pat Denmark, Eric Nielsen, Ann Burnette, Pat Bezona

### SPECIAL NOTES

#### WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

Welcome to Christ Church! We're so happy you chose to worship with us. In the Episcopal Church, we worship together from the *Book of Common Prayer* and typically sing from our Hymnal. So that you may follow along, the priest will tell you where we are in the Prayer Book and give you the hymn number. If you have any questions about what to do, just ask someone sitting near you for help. We're sure they'll be happy to assist you.

**LENT 2025:** Plan to participate in the following services and events

**6p Wednesday Lenten Holy Eucharist & Supper** – March 19, March 26, April 2, April 9. The discussions will center around updating the Parish Profile and Discerning together where God is leading us next. **\*\*An RSVP sign-up sheet is posted weekly for dinners on the parish hall bulletin board. It is important that you sign up, so that the hospitality team can prepare enough food for all. \*\* NURSERY IS PROVIDED!**

**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES** from the Wednesday Discussions during Lent will be posted on the Parish Hall walls – Take some time to read over what the family is saying. The first week we asked *In 5-10 years*, what do we want our broader community to say about Christ Church? Next Wednesday we will be discussing ministries – past, current and future.

**The past 2 Parish Profiles (August 2013 and August 2022)** are available on the Christ Church website. Julius Ariail has made them easy to access with links on the website homepage – Thank you, Julius!

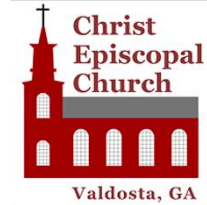
**Quiet Day – Saturday, April 12** – More information to come

**CREATION OF CARE: A CELEBRATION OF HOPE** March 22, 2025 from 9a – Noon at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. Join in this community event with informational presentations by local speakers, family friendly activities and networking. Participants: Watershed Coalition, Dogwood Alliance, Georgia Native Plant Society and many more. For more information, contact 229.563.0448.

The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia  
All Christ Church Families & Friends are Ministers.  
Nancy Sartin, Deacon  
Peggy Baer, Administrative Assistant  
Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper  
Stefani Carroll, Treasurer  
Molly Stevenson, Sr. Warden  
Jeri-Lyn Flowers, Director of College Ministry  
Elise Sandbach, Director of Preschool & PMO  
Ellie Copeland & Katie Wisenbaker, Youth Ministers (EYC)  
Issa Young, Choir Director  
Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist  
Nancy Lutsko, Verger

**Vestry:** Cliff Baker, Louisa Beckett, Lauren Darby, Phyllis Holland, Steve Honeycutt, Tim Hood, Becky Meadors, Ed Mistick, Kelli Prevost, Molly Stevenson, Mike Tanner, Bobby Yarbrough

**Search Committee:** Delrick Bradley and Robin Coleman – Co-Chairs  
Shelley Greneker, Julie Reynolds, Chris Rutland, Stephen Sandbach, Jeani Synyard, Elizabeth Wisenbaker  
Bobby Yarbrough – Vestry Liaison



**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  
11:15a Coffee Hour – Parish Hall  
6:00p Vespers  
(1st & 3rd– Sanctuary)  
(2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> – Zoom)

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

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