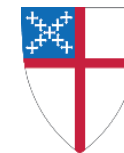


Welcome to Christ Church!

Vision: God's Love for All

June 1, 2025
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Seventh Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – <i>How Bright Appears the Morning Star</i>	Johann Pachelbel
Opening Hymn – <i>Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus</i>	Hymnal 495
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 – <i>Christ is the World's True Light</i>	Hymnal 542
The Sermon	The Rev. Walter Hobgood
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form III	BCP 387
Confession & Absolution	BCP 360
The Peace	BCP 360
Announcements – <i>Please Be Seated</i>	
Offertory – <i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	by Kathleen Thomerson, arr. by Mark Hayes
Doxology	Hymnal 380 vs. 3

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer – Prayer A	BCP 361
Sanctus	Hymnal S129
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S154
The Communion	BCP 365
Communion Hymn – <i>How Bright Appears the Morning Star</i>	Hymnal 497
<i>Let Us Break Bread Together on our Knees</i>	Hymnal 325
The Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP 365
The Blessing	BCP 366
Hymn – <i>All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine</i>	Hymnal 477
Dismissal	BCP 366
Postlude – <i>Suite for Organ on Engelberg</i>	by David Cherwien

The Collect:

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Lesson:

Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour. ¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹ They answered, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

I am with you al - ways to the close of the age.

Psalm: 97

BCP 726

- 1 The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O Lord.
- 9 For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.
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.

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Serving Today

Second Lesson:

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹² “See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁶ “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” ¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.” And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. ²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! ²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Gospel:

John 17:20-26

²⁰ “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Remember in Your Prayers: Remember in Your Prayers: Mimi Allen, Bryan Almand, Alexis Carr, Tyson Carter, Luke Cowart, Michael Curry, Lisa Day, Irene Dodd, Jane Earle, Jackie Elam, Mackey Foster, Curtis Fowler, Kathleen Furukawa, Sammy Greneker, Louise Harden, Gail & Walter Hobgood, Peter Ingeman, Marilyn Kemper, Kerri Kent, Meg Kessel, Jason LaFleur, Leigh Long, Dennis Marks, Doug Mayer, Katherine Mayer, Cindy Moses, Morris Phillips, Johnny Price, Mark Redfield, Richard Rigby, Rocky, Barbara Shirley, Joe Glenn Smith, Teresa Stevens, The Thomas & Lutsko families, Julie Van Ham, the Warrick family, Hal & Michelle Weidman, Kathy Wenk.

Eucharistic Ministers: Sheri Gravett, Marin Holland, Sheri Gravett

Lectors: Martin Holland, Sheri Gravett, Bonnie Hanson

Acolytes: Molly Stevenson, Erica Thieme, Dot Gatchell

Altar Guild: Sandra Fletcher, Sallie Honeycutt, Amber Tanner, Robin Coleman

Ushers: Mike Tanner, Paul Stevenson, Cameron Prevost

Greeter: Martin Holland

Audio/Visual Crew: Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker

Coffee Hour Hosts: Julie Reynold, Gwen Daughtrey, Marcie Dennard, Paula Ramey

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

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

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 – page numbers are listed in the bulletin. 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.

SPECIAL NOTES

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS TOMORROW! Get ready for an exciting week of faith and fun at Vacation Bible School! All children ages 2 to 5th grade are welcome to join us as we learn about God's love through stories, songs, games, crafts, and more. VBS will be held from 9a -12p June 2 - 5. Don't miss this special time for our young ones to grow in faith and fellowship! *Registration is now open for children and volunteers.*

SIGN-UP link: <https://www.myvbs.org/VBSSIGNUP/>





HEP PARTY: Friday, June 6 at 6p. Jeani Synyards house 746 Lake Laurie Drive. Please bring an appetizer to share. Questions? Contact Jeani Synyard at 229-834-6004.

RECTOR SEARCH UPDATE: The Parish Profile has been posted and we are in the part of the process where prospects are discerning possible calls. Please continue to pray for whomever God is calling to serve with us in the next chapter and continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's presence among us.

UPDATE PRAYER LIST: It has been some time since we have updated the prayer list. Those that have requested a family member or friend be placed on the prayer list let the office know they are in need of continued prayer. Also let the office know if they can remove someone from the list. Call – 229.242.5115 or E-mail: office@christchurchvaldosta.org.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: From 10:15-11:15 at Marcia McRae's home. We will be studying The Cost of Discipleship by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. If anyone is interested in joining they can either show up or call Tammy Borders at 229-560-5889 for more information.



PRESCHOOL AND PMO TEACHER AIDES needed for the Fall School Year at Christ Church

Preschool. Pass the word - Christ Church Preschool is in need of teacher aides for the 2025 -2026 School Year. Contact: Elise Sandbach, Director at 229-630-4738 or via e-mail at sandbach1@bellsouth.net

QUOLA'S SOUP KITCHEN HAS CLOSED, due to lack of funding and building issues. This sad news means the Christ Church clothing drive is cancelled. John McRae and Pepi Nelson appreciate all the love and support the Christ Church family have given to the clothing drive.

SUMMER CAMP AT HONEY CREEK to register go to: www.honeycreek.org/camps

High School: June 8-14, 2025

St. Peter (6-8 grade): June 15-21, 2025

Sts. Joseph & Mary (3-5 grade): June 22-28, 2025



Mission Statement: As followers of Jesus, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we share God's love, grace and mercy through worship, prayer and service, respecting the dignity of all.

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

The Rev. Walter Hobgood and The Rev. Bob Carr – Supply Clergy

Nancy Sartin, Deacon

Molly Stevenson, Sr. Warden

Mike Tanner, Jr. Warden

Peggy Baer, Administrative Assistant

Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper

Stefani Carroll, Treasurer

Jeri-Lyn Flowers, Director of College Ministry

Elise Sandbach, Director of Preschool & PMO

Kylee Creasy, Children's Ministries Leader

Ellie Copeland & Katie Wisenbaker, Youth Ministers (EYC)

Issa Young, Choir Director

Sue Ellen Rumstay, Director of Music

Nancy Lutsko, Verge

The 10:00 service is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook

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