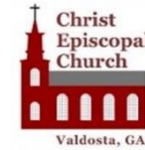
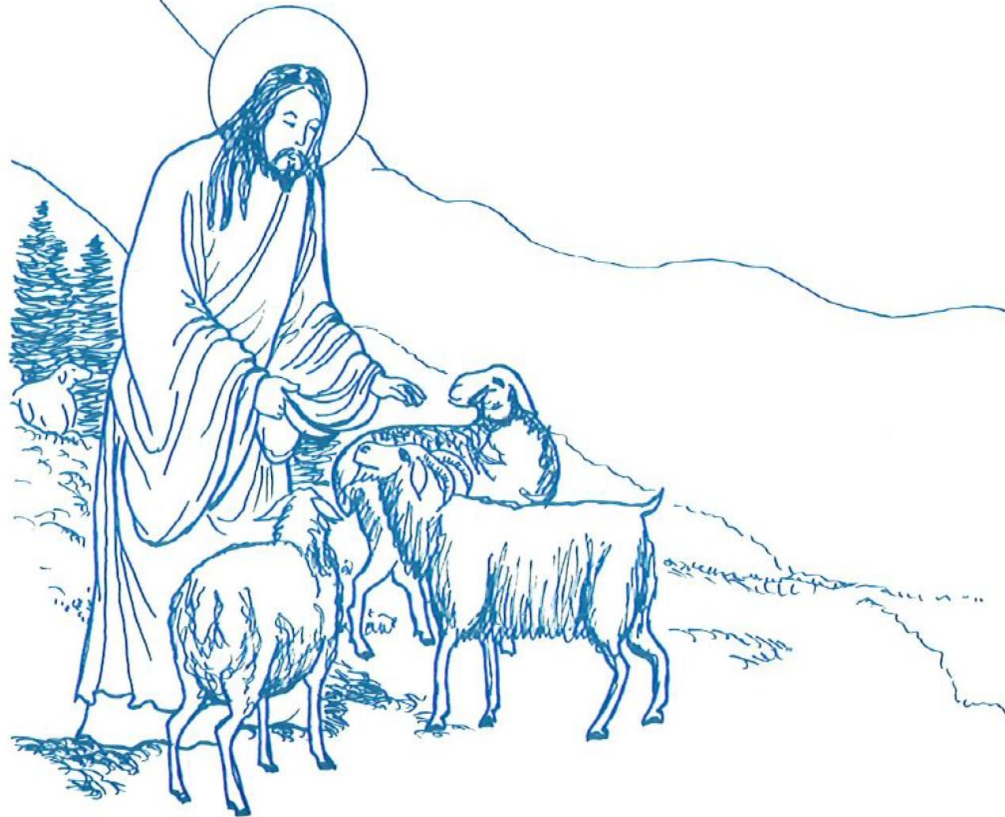


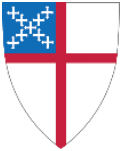
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## Welcome to Christ Church!

Vision: God's Love for All

May 11, 2025  
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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite II

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – *Partita on “Crimmond”*

by Gordon Young

Opening Hymn – *Holy God We Praise Thy Name*

Hymnal 366

Opening Salutation

BCP 355

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Gloria

Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day

BCP 225

The Lessons

(See Insert)

Gospel Hymn – *Jesus, Our Mighty Lord*

Hymnal 478

The Sermon

The Rev. Robert Carr

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession & Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements – *Please Be Seated*

Offertory – *Give Thanks* by Henry Smith, arr. by Joseph Graham & David Angerman

*Soloists: Dot Gatchell and Erica Thieme*

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 – *The Lord My God My Shepherd Is  
My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Hymnal 663

Hymnal 691

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 365

The Blessing

BCP 366

Hymn – *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*

Hymnal 205

Dismissal

BCP 366

Postlude – *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*

by Michael Burkhardt

**The Collect:**

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

**First Lesson:**

**Acts 9:36-43**

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

**Psalm: 23**

**BCP 612**

- <sup>1</sup>**The Lord is my shepherd; \***  
**I shall not be in want.**
- <sup>2</sup>**He makes me lie down in green pastures \***  
**and leads me beside still waters.**
- <sup>3</sup>**He revives my soul \***  
**and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.**
- <sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \***  
**for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- <sup>5</sup>**You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \***  
**you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.**
- <sup>6</sup>**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \***  
**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

**Second Lesson:**

**Revelation 7:9-17**

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

**Gospel:**

**John 10:22-30**

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.”<sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.”

***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, Anita Ebersole, Jackie Elam, Harriet Flowers, Mackey Foster, Curtis Fowler, Kathleen Furukawa, Sammy Greneker, Louise Harden, Gail & Walter Hobgood, Peter Ingeman, Marilyn Kemper, Kerri Kent, Jason LaFleur, Leigh Long, Dennis Marks, Doug Mayer, Katherine Mayer, Cindy Moses, Morris Phillips, the Pittman family, Johnny Price, Sally Querin, Mark Redfield, Richard Rigby, Rocky, Barbara Shirley, Joe Glenn Smith, Teresa Stevens, Julie Van Ham, Hal & Michelle Weidman, Kathy Wenk.*

### **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.

### **TODAY IS YOUTH SUNDAY**

The Christ Church youth will be serving and participating in the Church service in celebration of Youth Sunday. This Sunday provides the Christ Church family the opportunity to see how our church youth are growing in faith and fellowship.

### **Serving Today for Youth Sunday**

**1st Reading** - Gwen Daughtry

**Psalm** - Stella Blevins

**2nd Reading** - Stella Blevins

**Prayers of the People** - Amelia Blevins

**Chalice** -Haley Hood

**Chalice** - Elizabeth Hood

**Crucifer** - Blake Yarbrough

**Torch:** Tepp Wilkin

**Torch:** Lucy Ferrier

**Gospel Bearer:** Shiloh Bradley

**Cross #2:** Mae Turner

**Ushers (with their dads):**

Henry & Holt Sandbach

Anna Crawford Darby

Cates & Clark Greneker

Mary Charles & Brooks Bryant

### **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES ! ! ! !**

Ann Harrell Blevins (Valdosta High School)

Stella Blevins (Valdosta High School)

Owen Coggins (Lowndes High School)

Haley Hood (Valwood)

Grace Café Intern - Polly Atuhirwe (Outstanding MBA Student of the Year)

**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

### **SPECIAL NOTES**



### **Preschool Teachers and Aides Needed for Fall School Year at Christ Church Preschool.**

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

**DAUGHTERS OF THE KING** invite the ladies of the parish to breakfast and hear guest speaker- Brooke Harrison on Saturday, May 17 at 10a in the church parish hall. Text or call Jeri-Lyn Flowers at 404-771-7116 to RSVP.



### **“LOAVES & FISHES POTLUCK” - Next Sunday, May 18 4:30p**

*A pot-luck supper – bring enough to share! There will be activities for children to celebrate the last day of Sunday School. This is a multi-generational fun time, dress is casual, lawn chairs encouraged. There will be fun activities for the children.*

**THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION:** Thursday, May 29 – Join us to celebrate this Major Feast Day, beginning with the Holy Eucharist at 6:00p, followed by a Men-in-Blue Hot Dog & Hamburger Cook-out. The Sign-up sheet will be posted soon.

**EMORY MEDICAL TEAM MEAL:** Tuesday May 20 and Wednesday May 21

Once again, the Emory Medical Team will be providing basic services to the migrant workers in our area. Christ the King has requested assistance in serving these meals. There are many vegan and vegetarians and dishes in those categories are particularly appreciated.

- **Tuesday – May 20:** Men in Blue will be cooking hamburgers to take. If you are unable to deliver your donation to Christ the King you can drop them off in the church kitchen from 1 -3 and we will deliver for you. We also have 100 pieces of fried chicken donated for that day.
- **Wednesday – May 21:** Please take your donations directly to Christ the King no later than 3:30p.

**Guidelines:** Clearly label all dishes identifying ingredients, i.e. nuts  
Put dishes in disposable dishes.  
Serving pieces should be plastic and disposable.  
Workers to help serve are welcome.  
Questions: Call Pat Denmark 229-251-4964

**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.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING!**

Get ready for an exciting week of faith and fun at Vacation Bible School! All children ages 2 to 5<sup>th</sup> 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/>



**SUMMER CAMP AT HONEY CREEK** to register go to: [www.honeycreek.org/camps](http://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, Verger

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

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