



**Welcome to Christ Church!**  
Vision: God's Love for All

July 6, 2025  
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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Rite II

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

<b>Prelude – <i>Little Prelude and Fugue in G Minor</i></b>	by J.S. Bach
<b>Opening Hymn – <i>Come Labor On</i></b>	Hymnal 541
<b>Opening Salutation</b>	BCP 355
<b>Collect for Purity</b>	BCP 355
<b>Gloria</b>	Hymnal S280
<b>The Collect of the Day</b>	BCP 230
<b>The Lessons</b>	(See Insert)
<b>Gospel Hymn – <i>Lord Christ, When Thou First Cam'st to Earth</i></b>	Hymnal 598
<b>The Sermon</b>	The Rev. Walter Hobgood
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	BCP 358
<b>Prayers of the People, Form III</b>	BCP 387
<b>Confession &amp; Absolution</b>	BCP 360
<b>The Peace</b>	BCP 360
<b>Announcements – <i>Please Be Seated</i></b>	
<b>Offertory – <i>Wade in the Water</i></b>	trad. Spiritual
<b>Doxology</b>	Hymnal 380 vs. 3

**THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION**

<b>Eucharistic Prayer – Prayer A</b>	BCP 361
<b>Sanctus</b>	Hymnal S129
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>	BCP 364
<b>Fraction Anthem</b>	Hymnal S154
<b>The Communion</b>	BCP 365
<b>Communion Hymn – <i>My God, Thy Table Now is Spread</i></b>	Hymnal 321
<b><i>O Spirit of the Living God</i></b>	Hymnal 531
<b>The Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>	BCP 365
<b>The Blessing</b>	BCP 366
<b>Hymn – <i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i></b>	Hymnal 657
<b>Dismissal</b>	BCP 366
<b>Postlude – <i>Hyfrydol</i></b>	by Roland Prichard, arr. by Mark Kellner

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>4</sup> So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. <sup>5</sup> And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. <sup>6</sup> He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." <sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

A musical score for the song 'The Rose Tree'. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The music is in 4/4 time and consists of two measures, each repeated twice.

1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up \*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \*  
and you restored me to health.

3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \*  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.

6 Weeping may spend the night, \*  
but joy comes in the morning.

7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \*  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

8 Then you hid your face, \*  
and I was filled with fear.

9 I cried to you, O Lord; \*  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; \*  
O Lord, be my helper."

12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

13 Therefore my heart sings  
to you without ceasing; \*  
O Lord my God,  
I will give you thanks for ever.  
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.

<sup>1</sup> My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup> All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup> For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup> Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow

to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. <sup>11</sup> See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup> It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup> May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup> For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup> As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

**Gospel:** **Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**  
<sup>1</sup> After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup> Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup> And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup> Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup> cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup> But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ <sup>16</sup> “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” <sup>17</sup> The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup> He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup> See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

**Remember in Your Prayers:** *Bryan Almand, Luke Cowart, Jackie Elam, Mackey Foster, Louise Harden, the Ingeman family, Dennis Marks, Katherine Mayer, Johnny Price, Rocky, Carrean Shapiro, Barbara Shirley, Hal & Michelle Weidman*

**Serving Today**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Eric Nielsen, David Sandbach, Sheri Gravett  
**Lectors:** Sheri Gravett, Rita Watters, David Sandbach  
**Acolytes:** Molly Stevenson, Erica Thieme, Dot Gatchell  
**Altar Guild:** Sandra Fletcher, Sallie Honeycutt, Amber Tanner, Robin Coleman  
**Ushers:** Al Turner, John McRae, Tom Carroll, Tom Carroll  
**Greeter:** Dottie Pitts  
**Audio/Visual Crew:** Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Robin Coleman, Debbie Mcleod, Jeani Synyard, Margaret Mittiga, Lucille Sineath, Sue Ellen Rumstay

**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.

**SUMMERTIME:** As we drift into the lazy days of summer, please remember that church operations and expenses continue. When possible, please keep your pledge current. Your vestry thanks you!

**Lunch & Learn Opportunity – Thursday, July 24 at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall** Leigh Barry Harvard, daughter of Lee & Kay Harvard will present an enlightening program on the science behind mindfulness, demonstrating how simple practices can foster emotional resilience and promote mental wellness. Attendees will learn practical techniques, including breath awareness, meditation, and grounding exercises, that can be integrated into daily life to combat mental health issues such as depression, anxiety, and substance use. Please come to discover how mindfulness can enhance emotional regulation and elevate your overall quality of life by strengthening your mind-body connection. A pulled pork lunch will be provided.

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



**INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH:** My website Sisters in Faith ([sisters-in-faith.org](http://sisters-in-faith.org)) commemorates forgotten Episcopal deaconesses, those who could not be ordained because they were women. After graduating from deaconess school, many became nurses, teachers, and church helpers in disadvantaged areas both abroad and in the United States. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Deacon Patricia Marks ([spmarks@bellsouth.net](mailto:spmarks@bellsouth.net); 229-630-8644).



**PRESCHOOL AND PMO TEACHER AIDES NEEDED**  
**for the Fall School Year at Christ Church Preschool.**

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

**PRESCHOOL WISH LIST:** Before the preschool year starts each fall we have a supply drive. This year we are going to have a Preschool – Wish List. By scanning the code below you will be able to see what is on our Wish List for this coming year. Pick your item and put it in your cart and purchase when you are finished shopping. Thank you in advance to everyone for your continued support of the Christ Church preschool, without you we would not be able to continue serving our church families and the community.



Scan here to purchase  
from the Wish List

*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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[www.youtube.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA](http://www.youtube.com/ChristEpiscopalChurchValdostaGA)

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## **Episcopal 101 and All Things Christ Church Offering & Light Supper**

Please join us on Wednesday evenings this summer for discussions about all things Episcopal and more specifically Christ Church. This will be a terrific opportunity to learn more about Christ Church and The Episcopal Church... or at least a good refresher. Beginning at **5:30p** on June 25 and running for 9 weeks (excluding July 2) a different topic will be discussed, with different folks presenting each week, followed by a light supper.

**July 9: How'd We Get Here?** – The Rev. Walter Hobgood

**July 16: What DO Episcopalians Believe?** – The Rev. Bob Carr

**July 23: The BCP (Book of Common Prayer)** –

The Rev. Walter Hobgood & Molly Stevenson

**July 30: GUIDED EUCHARIST – The Liturgy**

**Aug 6: Colors of the Seasons/Church Calendar**

**Aug 13: CALLED – The Orders of the Church** –

Deacon Nancy Sartin

**Aug 20: The Episcopal Church Structure** – Molly Stevenson

**Aug 27: Ministry Opportunities at Christ Church** –

Ministry Leaders

**\*\*** Bishop Logue will be at Christ Church on August 31 for his Visitation. These “classes” will also serve as the formation for anyone wishing to be Confirmed, Received or Reaffirmed when he comes. **\*\***