

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



October 5, 2025 10a



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Rite II

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude - I Call on Thee, Lord Jesus	Christ by J.S. Bach
Opening Hymn – <i>Awake, my soul</i>	Hymnal 11
Salutation	BCP 355
The Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria	Hymnal S280
The Collect of the Day	BCP 234
The Lessons	(See Insert)
Gospel Hymn - Strengthen for servic	<b>e, Lord</b> Hymnal 312
The Sermon	The Rev. Robert Carr
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 – Amazing Grace	with Pachelbel's Canon by Jean Shafferman
Doxology	Hymnal 380 vs. 3

#### THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer – Prayer A	BCP 361
Sanctus	Hymnal S128
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S154
The Communion	BCP 365
Communion Hymn – O Jesus, I have promised	Hymnal 655
O Master, let me walk with thee	Hymnal 660
The Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP 365
The Blessing	BCP 366
Hymn – Come labor, on	Hymnal 541
Dismissal	BCP 366
Postlude – Trumpet in Dialogue	by Louis Nicolas Clerambaut

#### The Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. <sup>2</sup> O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. <sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted. <sup>1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup> Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on

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



tablets, so that a runner may read it. <sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. <sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Psalm: 37:1-10 BCP 633

- <sup>1</sup>Do not fret yourself because of evil<u>doers;</u> \* do not be jealous of those who do <u>wrong</u>.
- <sup>2</sup>For they shall soon wither like the grass, \* and like the green grass fade away.
- <sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the Lord and do good; \* dwell in the land and feed on its <u>riches</u>.
- <sup>4</sup>Take delight in the <u>Lord</u>, \* and he shall give you your heart's de<u>sire</u>.
- <sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in <u>him</u>, \* and he will bring it to <u>pass</u>.

<sup>6</sup>He will make your righteousness as clear as the <u>light</u> \* and your just dealing as the <u>noonday</u>.
<sup>7</sup>Be still before the <u>Lord</u> \* and wait patiently for <u>him</u>.
<sup>8</sup>Do not fret yourself over the one who <u>prospers</u>, \* the one who succeeds in evil <u>schemes</u>.
<sup>9</sup>Refrain from anger, leave rage a<u>lone</u>; \* do not fret yourself; it leads only to <u>evil</u>.
<sup>10</sup>For evildoers shall be cut <u>off</u>, \* but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the <u>land</u>. Glory to the Father, and to the <u>Son</u>, And to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>:
As it was in the beginning, is <u>now</u>, And will be for ever. Amen.

#### Second Lesson:

# 2 Timothy 1:1-14

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.<sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. 4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Gospel: Luke 17:1-10

¹Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. ² It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble. ³ So watch yourselves. "If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them. ⁴ Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying 'I repent,' you must forgive them." ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you. 7 "Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down to eat'? 8 Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? 9 Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? ¹0 So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty."

Remember in Your Prayers: Bryan Almand, Bruce Beal, Tyson Carter, Luke Cowart, Gretchen DeLong, Judy Scharf Earl, Jane Earle, Jackie Elam, Mackey Foster, Louise Harden, Alfred Hiers, Teresa Hill, Creston Hulett, Dennis Marks, Rusty McCall, Johnny Price, Richard Rigby, Rocky, Carreen Shapiro, Barbara Shirley.

The Altar Flowers were given to the Glory of God by Mike and Amber Tanner in celebration of the birthdays of our children Hudson and Grace.

# **Serving This Week**

Eucharistic Ministers: Eric Nielsen, David Sandbach, Blake Yarbrough

**Lectors:** Sally Honeycutt, Rita Watters, David Sandbach **Acolytes:** Molly Stevenson, Erica Thieme, Dot Gatchell

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

**Ushers**: Cliff Baker, Bryant Alonso, Rita Watters

Greeter: Martin Holland

Audio/Visual Crew: Julius Ariail, Ken Rumstay, Larry Wisenbaker

Coffee Hour Hosts: Julie Reynolds, Gwen Daughtrey,

Marcie Dennard, Paula Ramey

#### **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.

# **Search Committee Update**

Your Search Committee continues its work. During this time of discernment and transition, please continue to pray for the Search Committee, our Christ Church family, our faithful and generous supply clergy, and whomever God is calling to be our next rector. Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

Annual St. Francis Day Blessing of the Pets: TODAY! at 3:00p. We will also consecrate the St. Francis Memorial Garden. Please be sure your pets are leashed or secured. If your pet prefers to stay home, you may bring a photo or a stuffed animal.

# **DAUGHTERS OF THE KING MONDAY, OCTOBER 8**



For those wanting to join DOK, classes will be starting tomorrow - Monday, October 6 from 5:30p - 6:30p, in the church office conference room. For more information on joining and participating in the classes contact Nancy Lutsko at 229-563-4358.

**EFM MEET ON MONDAY NIGHTS**: EFM is back on Monday nights at 6p in the parish hall. Everyone welcome.

Bottles of holy water from the river Jordan in Israel, where John the Baptist baptized Jesus, have been donated to Christ church to be added to the font for baptisms. The River Jordan is considered by many Christians as a holy place and pilgrims have been going there for centuries. When planning a baptism, if you would like some of this holy water added for the baptism, please let the church know.

<u>CHRIST THE KING CLOTHING CLOSET</u> for the homeless. Needing clothing donations! If you have donations, please contact Father Pace at 615-268-1631 to make arrangements for clothing pickup.

INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH? The website Sisters in Faith (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; 229-630-8644).

**WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY:** has resumed on Thursdays from 10:15-11:15 at the home of John & Mtr Marcia McRae - 2701 Green Meadow Drive. We are studying Sacred Fire, A Vision for A Deeper Human and Christian Maturity by Fr. Ronald Rolheiser. Anyone interested in joining can purchase the book and come or call Tammy Borders for more information at 229-560-5889.

**LOST & FOUND** *is piling up*. Items are in baskets on the counter in the kitchen until October 15. After October 15, they will be donated.

# **MONTHLY GRACE CAFÉ FOOD/SUPPLIES DRIVE**

Christ Church participates in a monthly Food/Supplies Drive for Grace Café. For October please bring Halloween candy and pumpkins (for our pumpkin carving event on October 16). A

donation basket has been placed in the parish hall for your convenience. Thank you for your generous support of our College Ministry!

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

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



# 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 Loque, 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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