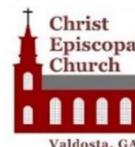


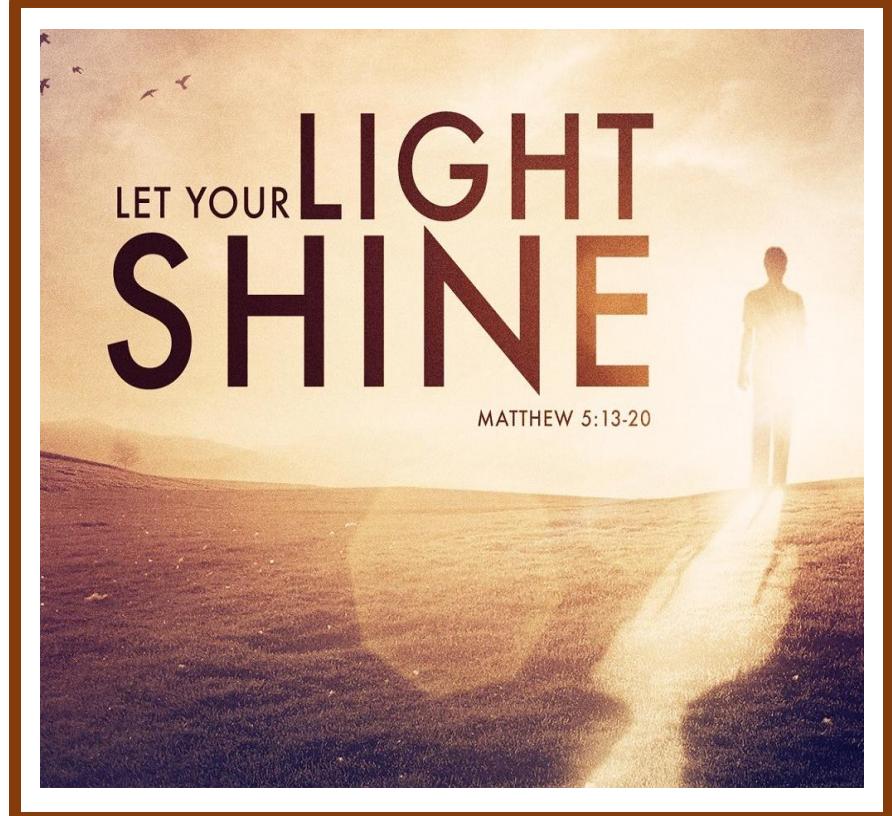
Welcome to Christ Church!
Vision: God's Love for All



February 8, 2026
10am

The 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist Rite II



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude – *Partita on Jesus Joy of Man's Desiring*

by Johann Pachelbel
Hymnal 419

Opening Hymn – *Lord of all being, throned afar*

BCP 355
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Opening Acclamation

Hymnal S280
BCP 216
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The Collect for Purity

Hymnal 488

Gloria

The Collect of the Day

The Rev'd R. Kevin Kelly
BCP 358

The Lessons

BCP 392
BCP 393
BCP 360

Sequence Hymn – *Be thou my vision*

The Gospel

by G.F. Handel,
tenor soloist, Chris Rutland

The Sermon

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People, Form VI

Confession

The Peace

Announcements – Please Be Seated

Offertory – *He Shall Feed His Flock*

Doxology

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer – Prayer B

BCP 367
Hymnal S130

Sanctus

BCP 364
Hymnal S154

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 365
Hymnal 336

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal 309

The Communion

BCP 365
Hymnal 559

Communion Hymn – *Come with us, O blessed Jesus
O Food to pilgrims given*

BCP 366
Hymnal 309

The Postcommunion Prayer

by Adolph Hesse

The Blessing

Hymn – *Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us*

Dismissal

Postlude – Postludium

The Collect:

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson:

Isaiah 58:1-12

¹Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.³ “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. [If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

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

Psalm: 112:1-10

BCP 735

¹Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his com-mandments!

²Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³Wealth and riches will be in their house, *

and their righteousness will last for ever.

⁴Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *

the righteous are merciful and full of com-passion.

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending *

and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶For they will never be shaken; *

the righteous will be kept in everlasting re-membrance.

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *

their heart is right;

they put their trust in the Lord.

⁸Their heart is established and will not shrink, *

until they see their desire upon their enemies.

⁹They have given freely to the poor, *

and their righteousness stands fast for ever;

they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰The wicked will see it and be angry;

they will gnash their teeth and pine a-way; *

the desires of the wicked will perish.

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. A-men.

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”— ¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually

discerned. ¹⁵ Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶ "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.]

Gospel:

Matthew 5:13-20

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Remember in Your Prayers: Gayle Adams, Bruce Beal, Ron Bezona, Tony Brooks, Tyson Carter, Mark Chamberlain, Ellie Daniels, Gretchen DeLong, Jane Earle, Jackie Elam, Doug Farwell, Mackey Foster, Louise Harden, Cathy Home, the Ingeman/Plews family, Steve Honeycutt, Marilyn Kemper, Dennis Marks, Kenny Mistick, Pamela Moore, Kamrin Naville, David Parker, Johnny Price, Rocky, Dick Saeger, Fego Seward, Carrean Shapiro, Jane Stanaland, Terry Windell.

Serving this Week – February 8

Eucharistic Ministers: Tammy Borders, Molly Stevenson, Stefani Carroll,

Lectors: Gloria Corker, Stefani Carroll, Ruth Holland

Acolytes: Phyllis Holland, David Holland, Holly Holland

Altar Guild: Phyllis Holland, Anne Reid, Mimi Allen, Pat Bezona, Daphne Wright

Ushers: Bobby Yarbrough, Blake Yarbrough, Glen Flowers

Greeter: Rita Watters

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

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

Calendar of Upcoming Events

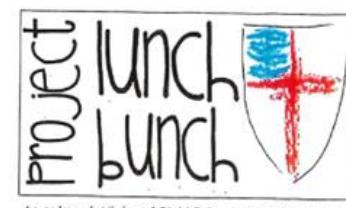
February 17 6p - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

February 18 Noon & 6p - Ash Wednesday

February 25 6p Eucharist - Lenten Dinner/Discussion



HEP (Happy Episcopal People) Nooners Lunch: *Friday – February 27 at NOON* at the home of Rev. Marcia and John McRae (2701 Green Meadow Drive). The group is open to church family members and friends. Lunch is catered; a signup sheet will be placed on the parish hall bulletin board the week prior to the luncheon. Any questions contact John McRae at 229.220.5619. Future meeting months; April, June, August, October and December.



An outreach mission of Christ Episcopal Church, Valdosta
just show up on Saturday.



Stichers of Love meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 4p in parish hall. Meeting dates are February 1 and February 15.

Grace Café

COLLEGE MINISTRY MONTHLY GRACE

CAFÉ FOOD/SUPPLIES DRIVE. The café food pantry is requesting for *February* granola bars, individually packaged snack foods and fruit cups.

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

College Ministry Dinner and Gathering Nights for February

February 5 7p Gathering Night – Yarn Night, crocheting hearts for Valentine's Day

February 12 7p Dinner – Asian Night

February 19 7p Gathering Night – Karaoke

February 26 7p Dinner – Baked potato bar

LOST AND FOUND: The Lost and Found is located on the counter in the kitchen area. Please check and see if any of the found items belong to you. Items not claimed by February 15 will be donated.

Youth Events for 2026

Youth Weekly Compline

Where: Zoom

When: Every Wednesday evening @ 9p

Who: 6 – 12 grade youth



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February 27 – March 1

Happening

Where: Honey Creek

Who: High school youth

More Information contact Liz Williams at 1williams@gaeepiscopal.org

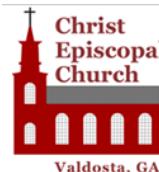
March 20 – 22

New Beginnings

Who: Youth 7 -9 Grades

More Information: contact coordinator Karen Bell at

karenmackenziebell@gmail.com



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.

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All Christ Church Families & Friends are Ministers.

The Rev'd R. Kevin Kelly, Rector

The Rev'd Nancy Sartin, Deacon

Molly Stevenson, Sr. Warden
Mike Tanner, Jr. Warden

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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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