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Our Vision:
To Know Christ
To Love Christ
To Serve Christ in
Others

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The Third Sunday of Easter

**Hymn
Number*

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* Indicates that the people stand

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Prelude:

Improvisation on “Puer nobis”

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The Word of God

*212 *Awake, arise lift up your voice*

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*S280 *Gloria (Festival Eucharist)*

*The Collect of the Day	(see insert)
First Reading: Acts 3:12-19	(see insert)
Psalm 4	(see insert)
Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7	(see insert)
*440 Blessed Jesus, at thy word	
Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48	(see insert)

The Children's Sermon – The Rev. Peter K. Ackerman, Rector	
Children may go to Children's Church	
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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Seek Him that made the Pleiades

Seek Him that made the Pleiades and Orion, seek Him that turneth deep darkness into the morning, and darketh the day into night; Seek Him that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth; Seek Him, the Lord is his name.

* 490	<i>I want to walk as a child of the light (verse 1)</i>	
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*	<i>Festival Eucharist- (Fraction)</i>	
	The Communion of the People	

Communion Anthem: O taste and see Heinrich Isaac

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed are the ones who [is the man that] trusteth in him.

*321	<i>My God, thy table now is spread</i>	
	The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Blessing	365
*193	<i>That Easter day with joy so bright</i>	
*	The Dismissal (Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.)	

Postlude: Trumpet tune in D Major Jeremiah Clarke

WELCOME TO ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

Visitors and New Members: Parishioners and visitors are encouraged to fill out a welcome card found on the back of each pew. We welcome all input, such as a request for a prayer, particular hymn, or more information about St. Christopher's. Please - let us know what you think!

Nursery Care: is available for infants and toddlers at the later service. Ask an usher or greeter for directions to the infant room.

We invite all baptized persons of Christian faith to receive communion. If you are not baptized you are invited to stand or kneel at the altar rail, while crossing your arms over your chest. You will receive a blessing instead of bread, and the wine person will pass you by.

For Those Who Need Assistance: Communion can be brought to in your seat – just let an usher know during the service; large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are also available (see an usher or greeter for the service for assistance).

This Week We Are Praying For:

The Church: Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Shannon, Susan and Robert, our Bishops. For Peter our Rector, Brooks our Seminarian, Joe our Music Minister, Liz our Nursery attendant and for Janet our Pastoral Assistant this week.

Our Government: Donald our President, and Ralph our Governor.

For those celebrating birthdays this month (but not read in church): Liz Zubristky, Robert Flowe, Mary Johnson, Chris Medding, Joe Gabalski, Margaret Kirk, Katy Dunlap, David Belisle, Hank von Kolnitz, Perry Kinne, Katie Branch, Ted Woodcock, Lynn Knox, Shannon Dickinson, Ralph Tomita, John Lytle, Marcello Meloni, Rosemary Henry, Peter Ackerman, Janet Quinn, David Kirk, and Sue Mayo.

The Sick, Suffering, and in Need June Hoffman, Ursula Walls, Evelyn Johnson, Barbara Milton, Janice Hagan, Marion Evans, Ginny and Fred Berg, Sandy and Dick Rowley, Marguerite Wagner, Ralph Tomita, Jim Foster, Priscilla Greene, Virginia Cole, Molly Gray, Ted Woodcock, Elaine Apostles, John Wells, and L. B. Berg as well as those on our **March Parish Family Prayer List (names not read in the service)**: Jackie Brant, Charlie Olsen, Becky Calzada Esther Bergum, Mae, Karen Curry, Christian Canell, Phyllis Brant, Helen Yi, Jack, June Shaw, Marty Kiefer, Susan Ackerman-Peterson, Daniel Carr, Fritz Baldwin, Brad Penney, David and Stephen Penny, Helen Wagner, Jennifer Flowe, Cook Family, Alleman Family, Dawn, Brendan Scriber, Bev Gilman, Matt Zeller, and Robin Courts.

For those away serving in our Military: Noah Flowe.

For Those Who Have Died:

The Altar Flowers are given in the glory of God by Pam Branstetter in thanksgiving for the Curry Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is given in the glory of God by the Altar Guild.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from the Stewardship Team: Our apologies for the chilly temperature in the sanctuary Sunday. We are in the midst of changing our AC/Heating system from winter to summer setting and the boiler has been turned off for the season. We're expecting much warmer temperatures this weekend, but should the weather turn cold again, members of the congregation may want to bring a sweater to church. Thank for your patience. John Olsen, Bob Hall, Chris Erbe.

Junior Youth Group All 4th and 5th graders are invited to join us for a Junior Youth Group gathering today directly following the 10:30 service. We will be working with legos to explore some bible stories. Bring your snacks from coffee hour and meet us on in Ms. Meredith's office."

Children's Church Volunteer Opportunities For those of you curious about what the children's ministry is and how to help, the SignUp Genius is open until June 10, Youth Sunday and Volunteer Appreciation Day. Lots of fun left in the next few months, ECHO garden planting, Earth Day nature walk and lesson, and Youth/Volunteer Appreciation Sunday. If you have any questions or would like to observe the lesson, feel free to contact Megan Coffey (megcoffey05@yahoo.com) or Tamara O'Neil (tamara_oneil@yahoo.com).

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0948a8a62ca3fe3-20172018>

Mark your calendars for the first St. Christopher's Prime Rib Dinner to be held on Saturday, April 28 beginning at 5:30 pm. The St. Christopher's Men's group is most pleased to host and staff this inaugural event and invites both parishioners and friends to share in the fellowship. The menu is as follows:

- Tossed Dinner Salad, •Thick cut Prime Rib of beef with au jus and horseradish or Smoked Chicken Quarter (specify dark or white),

- Baked Potato, •Steamed Broccoli, •Table loaf of french bread with butter, •Dessert, •Sparkling or Still mineral water

As with our Fall dinner table wine will be BYO. There will also be a Hot Dog option for the children (or anyone else wishing hot dogs!) Cost for the Dinner will be \$20.00 and \$4.00 for the Hot Dog dinner.

Reservations are required so please see or contact Danny Gorham (fgorham103@aol.com) or Bob Hall (bobhall01@gmail.com) to make yours. Prepayment is required. Hope to see you all there.

FACETS Hot Meals for the Homeless - New Day: Friday, April 27

The Hot Meals preparation for the homeless in April will be on Friday rather than Thursday, just for this month. We were asked to switch days with Good Shepherd in Burke because their kitchen would not be available on Friday the 27th. With the end of the Hypothermia Shelters, folks will be back on the street relying on the hot meals program for their one good meal of the day. In the past we have served dinner and breakfast to 16 to 90 people. The numbers have already jumped on the reports, so we will plan to prepare around 100 servings. There will be an email sent out directing you to sign up on Sign Up Genius. Please sign up to prepare hardboiled eggs or brownies ahead of time to bring on the 27th; come and help with chopping, cooking, packing food bags, and loading coolers; help with cleanup; pick up and drive the delivery van; or ride along on the delivery route to help distribute meals at 3 locations. We really need another backup driver--we have two, but they are not always available. Talk to Bill Price or Joe Bush about what it entails. With 3 drivers, each would only be needed twice a year. Thanks for your involvement! We really do make a difference in people's lives by feeding them nutritious meals. Thank you, Janet Bush, 703-371-2465, jbush@nvcc.edu

Service Participants For Sunday, April 15, 2018

7:30am

Acolyte: David Kirk

Lector: Trish Taylor

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Brooks Boylan

10:30am

Acolyte(s): Alton Kirk, Zack Manning, and Lillian Foley.

Lectors: Danny Gorham (L1), Don Knox (L2)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Brooks Boylan (PB), Pam Branstetter (CB1),
Meredith Maple(CB2)

Altar Guild: Marie Ackerman and Katie Alleman

Flower Guild: Mary Andrews and Indra Corea

Vestry Person of the Week: Liz Zubritsky

Prayer Intercessor: Richard Downie

Chapel Prayer Team: Ruth Meagher and Jeff Baldwin

Communion Bread Baker: Kristy Armstrong

Greeters: Marion Cole

P.A.T. Minister (taking Eucharist to our parish's shut-ins): Janet Quinn

Refreshment & Fellowship: Niki Purkoski

Tellers: Kevin Frear and Joe Bush

Ushers: Team Bush

**if you are unable to serve, or a trade did not get posted, please let Fr. Peter know by Sunday morning (email/voicemail) and he will let the appropriate ministers know.*

THE VESTRY OF ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

Christina Manning, Katy Dunlap, Richard Sellers, Robert Hall, Danny Gorham, Logan Foley, Liz Zubritsky, Darren Branch, Jim Armstrong, John Olsen, and Chris Erbe.

STAFF The Rev. Peter K. Ackerman, Rector; Meredith Maple, Youth Minister for Teens; Nina Miller, Parish Administrator; Joe Bush, Bookkeeper; Joe Gabalski, Organist/Choir Director; Polly Colwell, Preschool Director

This Week at St. Christopher's Church

Monday, April 16

7:00 pm. Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, April 17

Wednesday, April 18

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous

Thursday, April 19

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Women's Discussion Group

Friday, April 20

Saturday, April 21

8:30 a.m. Frazelle Music Rehearsal/Auditorium

5:00 p.m. S. Anonymous Meeting

8:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

Sunday, April 22 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Rite I

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Rite II, Children's Sermon and Children's Church
(Nursery Available)

11:45 a.m. Refreshments & Fellowship