TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2026



The Canaanite Woman, Artist unknown

Christ Church
Woodbury, New Jersey

A Parish in the Diocese of New Jersey

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Welcome to Visitors and Guests

We are delighted to have you with us today. The ushers will be glad to assist in any way they can to make your visit more comfortable. Please do take a moment to introduce yourself to the clergy at the door following the service and sign the guest book in the church porch / vestibule.

Child care is available during the 10 am service. An usher will be happy to escort you there. **The Child Care Room is open.**

Sunday School (from age 3 through grade 12) begins after children and young people receive Holy Communion or a Blessing at the Altar Rail during the 10am service, then proceed to their classrooms.

Adult Forum is usually held during Coffee Hour in the Upper Parish Hall following the 10am service when Sunday School is in session, and ends at 12 noon when the children are dismissed from their classes. All are welcome to attend!

Adult Bible Study Adult Bible Study continues on Mondays at 8:00 pm via Zoom. We have a lot of great discussions and would love to have everyone who is able to join!

A Lift is available for those who require assistance in reaching the Upper and Lower Parish Halls . The ushers will be glad to help with its operation.

Safety Precaution: Because there is no adult supervision in the parish house, children under the age of 13 leaving the service for any reason need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Exiting and Entering—To avoid unnecessary distractions during the service, please try to exit and enter during a hymn if possible. (But we do understand that when urgent needs arise it may not be possible!)

Let Reverence and Quietness
Characterize your Entrance into God's House

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist: Rite I - 8:00 am
THE ENTRANCE RITE

The congregation stands when the bell is rung.

Opening Acclamation .....Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 323

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Collect for Purity .....BCP 323

Summary of the Law ..... BCP 324

Kyrie & Gloria in excelsis .....BCP 324

The Collect of the Day (Proper 15) ..... Bulletin p. 5

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

the people are seated

The First Lesson: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8..... Bulletin p. 5

the people remain seated

Gradual Psalm 67…….....Bulletin p. 6

The Epistle: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 ..... Bulletin p. 7

The people standing

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 ..... Bulletin p. 7

the people are seated

The Sermon ..... Fr. Civale

the people standing

The Nicene Creed ..... BCP 327

The Prayers of the People ..... BCP 328

the people kneeling

Confession of Sin ..... BCP 330

the people standing

The Peace ..... BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

the people are seated until the Offering is brought forward, the people standing

At the Presentation:

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II ..... BCP 340

Sursum corda ..... BCP 340

Sanctus et Benedictus qui venit ..... BCP 341

Said by all

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

the congregation kneels for the canon of the Mass

The Great Amen ..... BCP 343

The Lord's Prayer ..... BCP 336

Fraction ..... BCP 337

Agnus Dei ..... BCP 337

Prayer of Humble Access ..... BCP 337

Invitation to Communion ..... BCP 338

Behold the Lamb of God; Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Celebrant and People

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

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Post Communion Prayer ..... BCP 339

The Blessing ..... BCP 339

the people standing

Dismissal ..... BCP 340

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

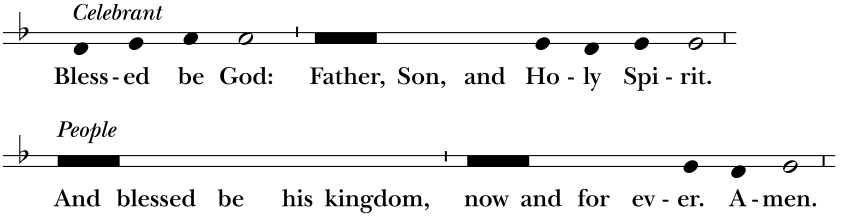
THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist: Rite I, 10:00 am
THE ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude "Hymn Medley" ..... Steven Kwiatkowski

The Congregation stands when the bell is rung.

Processional Hymn 529 "In Christ there is no East or West " ..... *McKee*

Opening Acclamation ..... S76 Hymnal



The Collect for Purity ..... BCP 323

Summary of the Law ..... BCP 324

Kyrie ..... (*see Summer Service Music Supplement*)

Gloria in excelsis ..... (*see Summer Service Music Supplement*)

COLLECT OF THE DAY (Proper 15)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And with thy spirit.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast given thy only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated

The First Lesson ..... Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Lector A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. "And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to

be his servants, every one who keeps the sabbath, and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The people remain seated.

Gradual Psalm 67……*Deus misereatur*

The Psalm is said responsively by verse.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us, *
and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;

***That thy way may be known upon earth, ***
thy saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise thee, O God; *
yea, let all the peoples praise thee.

***O let the nations rejoice and be glad; ***
for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise thee, O God; *
yea, let all the peoples praise thee.

***Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; ***
and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us; *
and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

The Epistle ..... Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Lector A reading from the Apostle Paul to the Romans.

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to

you they also may receive mercy. For God has consigned all men to disobedience, that he may have mercy upon all.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The people standing

Alleluia and Verse .....*Mode VI*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Hear my prayer, O Lord : and let my cry come unto Thee. Alleluia.

Sequence Hymn 151 "From deepest woe I cry to thee"……..……..……..*Aus tiefer not*

The Holy Gospel ..... Matthew 15:21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

The people are seated

The Sermon ..... Fr. Civale

The people standing

The Nicene Creed .....BCP 327

The Prayers of the People: .....Form III

The leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;
People ***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve thee;
That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the ✠ departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all thy saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

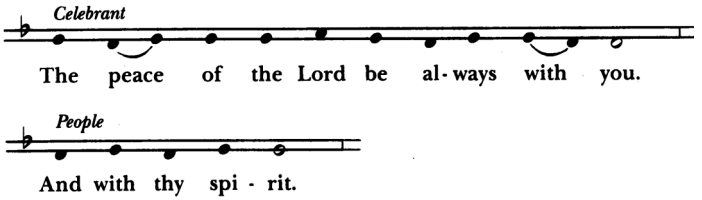
The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The people kneeling

The Confession of Sin.....BCP 330

The Peace

All are invited briefly to greet one another with a sign of peace.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

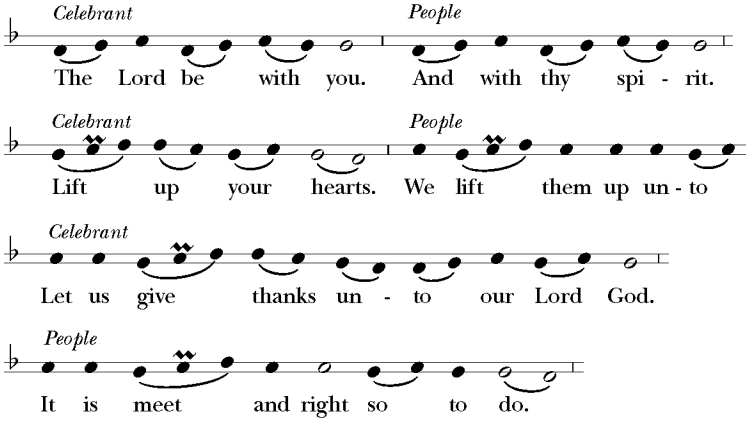
the people standing

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn 542 "Christ is the world's true light ".....*St. Joan*

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II ..... BCP 340

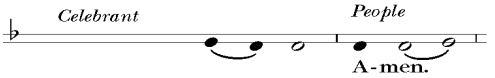
Sursum corda ..... S112 Hymnal



Sanctus et Benedictus qui venit ..... (*See Summer Service Music Supplement*)

the people kneel for the canon of the Mass

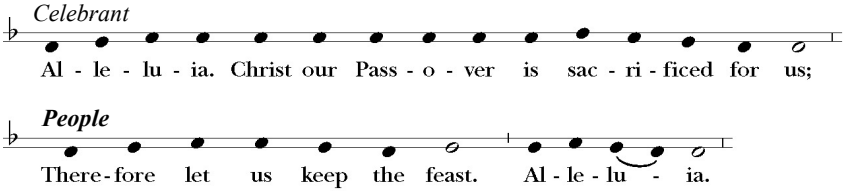
The Great Amen ..... S118 Hymnal



The Lord's Prayer ..... S119 Hymnal

The people kneeling.

Fraction



Agnus Dei ..... (*See Summer Service Music Supplement*)

Prayer of Humble Access ..... BCP 337

Invitation to Communion ..... BCP 338

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Celebrant and People

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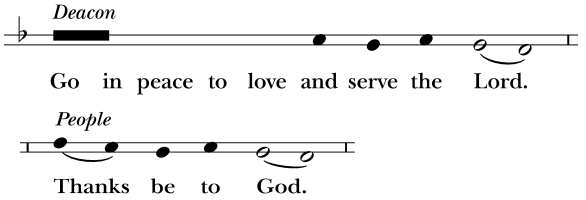
Communion Hymn 689 “I sought the Lord ” ..... *.Faith*

the people kneeling

Post Communion Prayer ..... BCP 339

The Blessing.....BCP 339

Dismissal.....S174 Hymnal



The Processional Hymn 544 “Jesus shall reign where're the sun” ..... *Duke Street*

Postlude: “Hymn Medley” ..... …..Steven Kwiatkowski

Today we welcome our guest organist, Steve Kwaitkowski**.**



Those Who Serve Today	**8:00 am** **Celebrant:** The Rev. Richard Civalier **Server & Chalice:** Rob Johnson **Lector:** Jack Ennis **Ushers**: Mark Hendricks & Mike Wiersky	**10:00 am** **Celebrant:** The Rev. Richard Civalier **Organist:** Steve Kwaitkowski **Master of Ceremonies:** Rob Johnson **Crucifer:** Scott Cranston **1st Server**: Daphne Rhodes **2nd Server**: CeCe Lyden **Acolyte Master**: Robertta Shomo **Chalice Bearers:** Rob Johnson Sarah Cranston **Lector I & Intercessor:** Darcie Sanchez **Lector II**: Doreen Mills **Ushers:** Mark Novalsky & Charles Lewis **Childcare**: Jennifer Allbright **Vestry Lock up:** Roberta Shomo **Notewriter**: Marilyn McGeoch **Food Bank:** Doug & Carol Hill **Vestry Counters:** Team 3: Steve Lewis, Roberta Shomo & Brandon Gorman

Prayer List



Pray for those who are sick or in any other adversity.

Pray for those who are in immediate need, especially: Bill, Edward, Baby Mark, Baby Anderson, Khoury, Don, John, Luke, Baby Emily, Francine, Mary C., Luke, Averil, Phil, Jack, Terry, J.J., Maureen, Louise, Janet, Krista, Rich, Dottie, Hughie, Easton, Mike, Warren, David, Steve, Mike, Gloria.

Pray for those with enduring needs: Gwen, Joy, Stephen, Sandie, Shirley, Ella Beth, Becca, Barbara T, Joshua, Anne, Doreen, Barbara, Mary Sue, Joseph, Sammy Jo, Jillian, Amanda, Tara, Jackson, Jack, Ed, Jason, Samuel, Michael, Alex, Paul, Baby Rick, Tom, Mary, Bruce, Ivan, Andy, Kathi, Sean, Maya, Miguel, Carl, Linda, Douglas, Alfred, Sally, Ariella, David, Téo and Peter, Pat, Anne, Josephine, Ronald, Tony, Jordan, Mason, David, Sue, Barbara, Michael, Tyler and Laura, Marjorie, Jacob, Michele, Stephanie, Riley, Julia, Susan, June, Amy, Kathleen, Cora, Debbie, Norman, Tracey, Ginger, Candi, Becky, Carter, Rose, Adam, Dick, Daniel, Michael, Brad and Susan, Kathi, Lynn, Ralph, Peggy, Audrey, Sissy, Averil.

Pray for those that are serving in our armed forces: Omar, CJ, Jacob

Please advise the Parish Office of any names that no longer need to be on this list. Thank you

Fr Civale is away August 5th- September 1st.

Fr Civalier will celebrate the weekday and Sunday Masses.

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the office or if immediate assistance is needed, please contact Fr Glen Druce at 619-751-5556 or Rev Sharon Patterson at 856-478-6391.

Upcoming Events

Monday *Feria*	August 17	6:00 PM 8:00 PM	AA Zoom Bible Study
Tuesday *Feria*	August 18	NOON 8:00 PM	AA Meeting AA Meeting
Wednesday *Feria*	August 19	**10:00 AM**	**Mass & Sacrament of Healing**
Thursday *Bernard, Abbot Clairvaux, 1153*	August 20	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Brotherhood Wine Tasting AA Meeting (6:30 pm Mass is suspended for the summer months)
Friday *Feria*	August 21	**5:30 PM**	**Evening Prayer**
Sunday *The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*	August 23	**8:00 AM** **10:00 AM**	**Mass** **Sung Mass**

Designated Monthly Offerings

August……....Altar Guild
September…….Sunday School

Readings for the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost—August 23, 2026

Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm 138
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20

*Please note Christ Church uses the RSV Bible Translation

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CHRIST CHURCH

August 20	Brotherhood Wine Tasting Event
September 1	We welcome Matt Glandorf as our new Choir Director & Organist
September 6	The Blessing of the Back Packs
September 12	Choir Meet & Greet and rehearsal with Matt Glandorf
September 13	Homecoming Sunday - Ministry Fair Sunday School Registration & Classes Begin
September 28	Confirmation Classes Begin



3rd Annual Brotherhood Wine Tasting Event

August 20th - 7:00 pm

Location: The home of Mike and Darcie Sanchez
300 E. Elm Street, Wenonah, NJ 08090

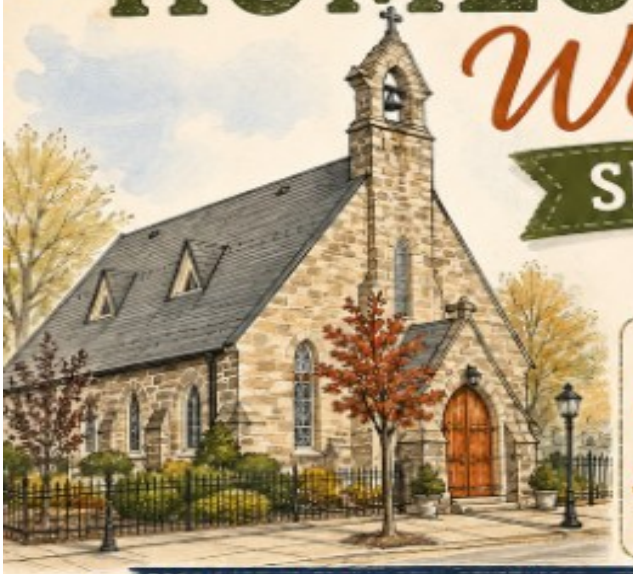
$20.00 per person plus a bottle of wine and/or non-alcoholic beverage.

To change things up this year we will offer NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS as well as wine. Bring your favorite appetizer and we will vote on the best appetizer!

Bring your friends and family! (Adults Only). Tickets can be purchased by using QR code or by visiting the link below:

https://christchurchwoodbury.org/asp-products/brotherhood-wine-tasting/

Christ Church HOMECOMING Weekend!



SEPTEMBER 13TH

FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICES

Welcome Home: Celebrating God's Gifts

a Homecoming celebration that strengthens our sense of welcoming, belonging, and community.

Visit the MINISTRY MARKETPLACE

where you can experience all the happenings!



BEAD BAR
a bracelet that reflects what matters most to you.



SELFIE STATION
grab your friends and capture the joy of community!



TREE OF GRATITUDE
share what you're thankful for and help our tree grow!



CHANCES TO WIN HOMECOMING RAFFLE BASKETS!
amazing baskets you won't want to miss!



ALL ARE WELCOME!
come celebrate, connect, and be part of our church family!

Let's Celebrate Our Church Family!

FAITH. COMMUNITY. GRATITUDE. TOGETHER.

Recruiting New Acolytes



There is no greater way to worship the Lord, than by serving at His Altar. Whether you are an adult, teen or child (second grade and up) we could use your assistance. Please reach out to Robertta Shomo or Fr Civale by email if you or your child are interested in serving in this important ministry.

Confirmation Classes Begin September 28th



Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation of Faith will be celebrated during Eastertide of 2027. Although we don't yet have an exact date from the bishop, we will begin preparation this fall. Instead of a crash course in spring, we will meet once a month to review our assigned readings and explore what it is about the faith that we are confirming. The extra preparation time will also explore how our parish ministers to its needs and the needs of the community. Classes will generally meet from 7:00- 9:00pm on the fourth Monday of the month beginning on Monday, September 28th. The spring dates may need to be adjusted depending on when the bishop schedules her visit and there will be no class in December. The evening will begin with Mass in the church and continue with class in the parish hall. It is expected that confirmands attend all eight sessions, however if an emergency occurs the class work can be made up.

Please let Fr Civale know by email if you or your child are interested by September 23rd. And don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Confirmation, is the sacrament when a baptized Christian makes "a mature commitment to Christ and receives strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop." (The Book of Common Prayer, p. 857) It involves making our own commitment to Christ- a commitment originally made for us by our parents and godparents. Confirmation reinforces our personal desire to live as a Christian, as a member of the Body of Christ, as a follower and lover of Jesus. Confirmation also expresses the desire to live out our faith within the Episcopal Church and the world-wide Anglican Communion.

Reception into the Episcopal Church is for a person who has already been confirmed in another denomination of the Church.

Reaffirmation is for people already confirmed in the Episcopal Church, who desire to deepen their faith and reaffirm their commitment to Christ and His Church. Reaffirmation is a great way to spend time reviewing the faith and why it is important enough for us to reaffirm.

Confirmation and Reception and Reaffirmation all require a period of preparation, examination, and exploration into all aspects of the Christian life and what it means to be a member of the Body of Christ.



Parish Office Business Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Email: parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org
Phone: (856)845-0190

The Sacrament of Penance

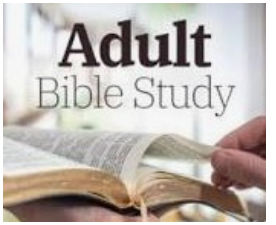
The Sacrament of Penance (Confession) and spiritual counsel are always available by appointment. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Fr. Civale.

Rector

Fr. Lawrence Civale
Email: frcivale@christchurchwoodbury.org
Cell Phone: (617) 947-3261, in case of a pastoral emergency.
Father Civale observes Tuesdays as his Sabbath.



Adult Bible Study



Our Adult Bible Study meets on Zoom every Monday at 8 PM. We have excellent discussions reflecting on the meaning of Scripture and hope you will join us! We will be using the *N. T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guide*. We would love to have you be a part of our discussions! The Zoom meeting can be accessed at this link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86427635457

Please Note

Effective immediately, please use the following email addresses to get in contact with us:

Father Civale
frcivale@christchurchwoodbury.org

Jackie Fahr
parishadministrator@christchurchwoodbury.org

Please update your records.
Thank you.

Church Happens on Vacation Too!

As summer begins, many of us look forward to vacations, family visits, weekends at the shore, and opportunities to relax and recharge. Summer schedules often look very different from the rest of the year. While summer may take us away from home, it doesn't take us away from God.

One of the wonderful things about being part of the Church is that wherever we travel, we can find a parish community gathered around the same table. Whether you're spending a weekend away or taking a longer vacation, we encourage you to make Mass part of your plans.

Attending Mass while traveling can be a meaningful experience. You may discover a beautiful historic church, meet parishioners from another community, or simply find comfort in the familiar rhythm of worship away from home. And, if you've been away from Christ Church for a while, know that you are missed. Your presence matters, and your seat is always waiting for you.

This summer, we'd love to hear about your travels. If you attend Mass while away, please take a moment to complete our Summer Mass Passport form and tell us where you worshipped. We may even feature some of your experiences in a future newsletter.

Wherever summer takes you, may God bless your travels, keep you safe, and bring you back to us refreshed in body, mind, and spirit. We look forward to seeing you in church this summer and hearing where you've been!

If your travels take you away from Christ Church this summer,
we'd love to hear where you worshipped.

Take a moment to share your experience with the parish by scanning this QR code.

Review Our Church!

Just 4 easy steps!

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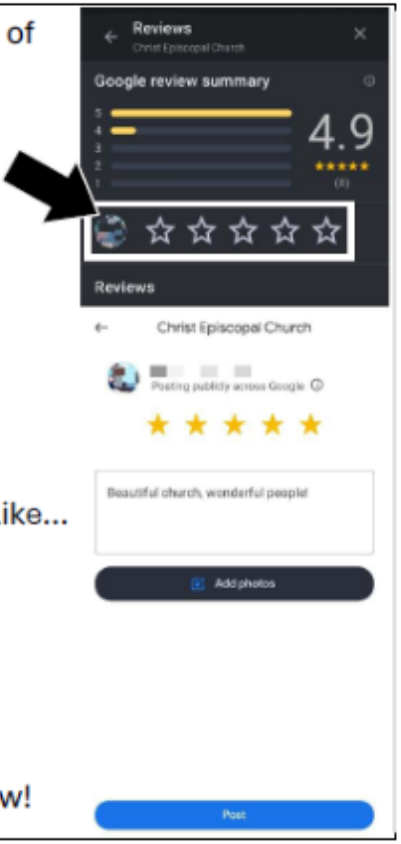
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Most people today start their search for a new church online.

Let's help them find us!

The process is very easy, just start by using your phone to scan the QR code to the left.

2 Then give us a rating by pressing one of these stars.



3 Now write a comment here, if you'd like...

4 ...and press "Post" to post your review!

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Service Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM Healing Mass
Thursday: 6:30 PM Mass (Except Summer)
Friday: 5:30 PM Evening Prayer
Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
by appointment

Rector

The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Our Vestry

Wardens: Tori Wishnick & Steve Lewis

Treasurer: Mark Novalsky

Clerk: Nathan Wishnick

Class of 2027

Jim Bathurst
Charles Lewis

Class of 2028

Brandon Gorman
Robertta Shomo
Nathan Wishnick

Class of 2029

Doreen Mills
AnnaLisa Rodano

