

Christ Episcopal Church

Kensington, Maryland



Welcome to Christ Church!

If you are here for the first time, or the first time in a long time, we welcome you.

We are an inclusive faith community in the Episcopal tradition. Rooted in Scripture, tradition, reason and experience, we value beautiful and diverse worship, education for all ages, lively fellowship and engaged service in our wider community.

Wherever you may be on your faith journey, you are invited to participate fully in the service and become part of our church family.

Holy Eucharist
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 22, 2019
8:00 AM

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit .

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 323

The Gloria

BCP p. 324

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?"

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 113

1 Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.

2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, *
from this time forth for evermore.

3 From the rising of the sun to its going down *
let the Name of the Lord be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations, *
and God's glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high *
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

6 The Lord takes up the weak out of the dust *
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

7 The Lord sets them with the princes, *
with the princes of the people.

8 God makes the woman of a childless house *
to be a joyful mother of children.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.'

Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Sr. Mary Owens, IBVM

A period of silent reflection

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 326

The Prayers of the People

Form IV

BCP p. 388

Confession & Absolution

BCP p. 331-332

The Peace

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP p. 340

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 336

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP p.337

Invitation and Distribution of Communion

All are welcome to receive communion. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Prayers for healing are offered in the healing chapel at the rear of the sanctuary.

A period of silence follows communion. We will begin the prayer when the healing prayers conclude.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 339

Sending Forth of the Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: We send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in Christ's body and blood.

People: **May you carry the prayers of all of us
as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Celebrant: We are one body because we share one bread and one cup.

People: **Amen.**

The Blessing

Dismissal

The people respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



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**Tex Mex Dinner &
Silent Auction**

THIS SATURDAY

September 28

Everything but the Kitchen Sink!

Doors open at 6pm. Dinner is at 6:30pm; Last auction bids at 8pm.

We are planning a delicious Tex Mex Feast of Chicken/Shrimp/Beef Fajitas with your favorite Tex Mex Fixins.

The cost is \$20 (individual) and \$40 family (up to four people). Sangria and Mexican Beer will be available for a small donation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please welcome our guest preacher, Sr. Mary Owens, our guest preacher this morning, and Protus Lumiti. They will both be speaking at the adult forum this morning during coffee hour

Sr. Mary co-founded the Children of God Relief Institute in 1992, also known as Nyumbani (which means “HOME” in Swahili). Nyumbani is dedicated to aiding HIV+ children in Kenya. Since 2006 she has served as the Executive Director. Protus Lumiti is Manager of Nyumbani Children’s Home in Nairobi, which has supported abandoned HIV+ orphans since 1992.

Taking the “School” out of Sunday This fall, we are taking the “school” out of Sunday—but certainly not the learning! On our Sabbath day of rest, we invite children – little and big—(ages 3 - 10+) to come together for a **Godly Play** telling of a sacred scripture story. Then, according to interests and developmental stages, children may choose an individual or collaborative response to the story. *Paint a picture! Build with legos! Make a puppet! Retell the story using our Godly Play materials! Sing a song! Bake a “story” treat for the family!*

Younger children may wish to work individually or in pairs, as they learn Bible stories and make connections to self. **Big kids** may enjoy collaborating with one another as they make connections between ancient Bible stories and our world today. **Together we will build and serve community** as we plan and perform **Christian service projects**.

We need parents help to enact this new vision of Sabbath learning here at Christ Church. Please watch for an email from Ann Enkiri, inviting you to be a **classroom volunteer** via **Sign-Up-Genius**. *Come play with us!*

Youth group this week: *Agent Carter and knowing your worth* Marvel hero Peggy Carter is a strong, independent woman living in an era when women were expected to stay at home. Agent Carter remains confident even as others doubt her. How can we learn to be more like Peggy? And what does the Bible have to say about knowing our own value? Come find out this Sunday! 11:15 am in the Loft - snacks provided. Questions? Email Madi (youthminister@ccpk.org)

Bible Study at 4:00pm Today Please join us for Bible study as we read Samuel and learn about the rise of Kings over Israel and a young fellow named David! For questions contact Lee Puricelli at leepuricelli@yahoo.com.

Busy-ness getting you down? Need a mid-week break? The evening service every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. combining Evening Prayer with Holy Eucharist Rite II just might be the answer. A Prayer Book service, it combines the end-of-the day liturgy, including familiar canticles, a brief homily with a time for personal meditation, and the Communion service using varying Eucharistic Prayers. It lasts 30-35 minutes. We look forward to your joining us!

LOOKING AHEAD

Prime Timers Luncheon - October 3, 11:30am The Prime Timers will meet in the church undercroft on Thursday, October 3rd from 11:30 for social time, lunch, and to enjoy a speaker. The cost of the lunch is \$10.00. Please RSVP to Nora Buckley at norabee@live.com or 301-564-0689 by Monday, September 30th to let her know you are coming and if you wish to order a lunch. The Title of the Presentation is: Top 10 Off-the-Beaten Path Places in Montgomery County. The speaker will be

Ralph Buglass.

Blessing of the Animals – Sunday, October 6 at 4pm

Calling all animals in Celebration of St. Francis of Assisi, animals are welcome to bring their humans to the annual Blessing of Animals! Come to the courtyard for a brief service of prayers, blessings, a hymn, and a treat (or two) and stay for the 5pm Eucharist.

3rd Annual “Kenya Night” for Nyumbani - Saturday, October 26 at 6-9:30pm in the Undercroft The Outreach Committee invites you to a night of sheer fun for all ages - **dinner and dancing with a Kenyan flair, a Kenyan craft boutique, children’s crafts, raffles and more!** Nyumbani is an orphanage in Kenya that supports children and caregivers infected and affected by HIV/AIDS. Funds raised will be used to build a new greenhouse to grow fresh vegetables for the children and caregivers. **Make a reservation at www.ccpk.org** Questions? Please contact Tina Cleland at 240-505-0921 or Carol Jones at 301-598-0348.

We raise to God those who are on our hearts and are in need of prayer:

Friends and Family of our Community

Karen Sechrist (friend of Virginia Sheard)
Sister Mary Joan (friend of Leslie Everheart)
Naneita Smith (daughter of Calvin Smith)
Erika Auchterlonie (daughter of Brenda Rupli)
Chris McCann (cousin of Katie Wallace)
Alexandra Vilela (friend of Teodora Salow)
The Beaudet Family (friends of the Blackman & Amaditz Families)
Karen Hudson (cousin of JoAnn Price)
Shane Young (friend of JoAnn and Lew Price)
Pam King-Williams (friend of Joan Centrella)
Kevin Richards (friend of the Pujols)
Tom Schoeny (friend of Winnie & John Holbrooke)
Ramzi Nemo, Sr. (father of Ramzi Nemo)
Faye Neal (mother of Donna Berkowitz)
Margarethe and Arnold Nye (parents of Eva Nye)
Tom Blackwood (uncle of Winnie Holbrooke)
Ann Silberberg (friend of Winnie Holbrooke)
Sandy Kahner (friend of Winnie Holbrooke)
Ellen Watson (friend of Jane Aylor)
Denise Myrup (niece of Nora Buckley)
Kevin Newman (friend of the Thanos Family)
Betty Penfold (mother of Barbara Ferry)
David Bunting (friend of Ted & Victoria Thanos)
Joyce Macy (grandmother of Allan Wallace)
Ginny Aseltine (sister-in-law of Madison Chase)
Kira Aseltine (niece of Madison Chase)
Amy Carter (niece of Amy Saylor)
Joan Cantwell (sister-in-law of Amy Saylor)
Kenny Honck (cousin of Lori Pujol)
Peg Werszila (friend of Sue Mitchell)
Mary Groom (friend of Liz Quinn)
H. Paul Starr (father of Donna Starr-Deelen)
Wally Oliver (friend of Teddy Guerrant)
Mary Chalmers (mother of Joan Centrella)
Diane Ray (aunt of Kurt Ellison)
Margarete Heck (sister-in-law of Kitty Shuler)
Fred Foote
Steve, Madalyn and Chuck Hoffeditz
Regina Mumbua (sister of Mary Mutisya)
Nell Whitman (daughter of Ray Whitman)
Candy Grueff (friend of Kitty Shuler)
Caleb Herpel (friend of Katie Wallace)

Those in need of continued prayer

Charlie Briggs, Dorothy Clarke, Nancy Maxwell, Eddie Daniels, Joan Davis, Amy Saylor, Yvonne Jackson, & Calvin Smith

We remember those serving our country

Dallas Sheard, Ryan Sheard, Alex Cox, Andrew Coe, Caleb Daisley & Virginia Blackman

Those in need of healing prayers

Betsy Robbins, Liz McLeod, Sara Cowan, Jo Crozier, Mary Lou Cumberpatch, Ray Whitman, & Ethan Clausen

We give thanks for the birth of

Bridget Helen Nelzen (granddaughter of Kathy Slack), Kira Irene Aseltine (niece of Madi Chase) & Ariane Behr Olson (grandniece of Emily Guthrie)

Those who have died

especially Ryan Mahoney (friend of David & Virginia Blackman)

Thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays this week, a heartfelt Happy Birthday!

Nora Buckley 09/22

Oliver Grant 09/23

John Rowan 09/25

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
The Church of the Holy Communion, DC
Diocesan Youth Ministry
Diocesan Young Adult Ministry

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda

For the World

For those impacted by natural disasters. For all victims of gun violence. For all refugees. For the people of South Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Yemen, the Bahamas and all those in the path of the hurricane, and for people suffering everywhere.

Pray for an end to famine and violence.

The Sanctuary Candle burns to the glory of God

The Altar Flowers are offered to the glory of God and the children's altar flowers are given in thanksgiving for the marriages of Chris Wilbert & Marc Donnelly, and Rika Oster & Kevin Conway.

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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, September 22

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM Choir Warm-up
9:45 AM Nursery Care
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist &
Children's Chapel
11:15 AM Coffee & Education Hour
4:00 PM Bible Study (Library)
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 23

7:00 PM Women's Al Anon Mtg.
(adult children of alcoholics)
7:30 PM Outreach Cmte. Mtg.

Tuesday, September 24

9:15 AM Women's Al Anon Mtg.
10:30 AM Women's Al Anon Mtg.
7:30 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, September 25

6:30 PM Evening Prayer w/
Holy Eucharist
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 26

7:30 PM Cake & Craft Group &
Xmas Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 28

9:30 AM Flower Guild
6:00 PM *Tex-Mex Dinner
& Silent Auction*

Sunday, September 29

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM Choir Warm-up
9:45 AM Nursery Care
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist &
Children's Chapel
11:15 AM Coffee & Education Hour
4:00 PM Bible Study (Library)
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist

New or Visiting?

We're so glad you're here today! Would you like more info on our parish? To receive our weekly e-announcements, please send an email with your info to Peter Hanke at: administrator@ccpk.org, or simply fill out a visitor's card found in the racks on the back of each pew. You can give the card to the priest, or an usher.

In Today's Service

Charlie Briggs
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John Rowan
Lector

Shelia Gart
Healing Prayer

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