

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
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase our faith; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Proverbs 25:6-7

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 112

1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in the Lord's commandments!

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

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.

6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.

8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
*
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Emily Guthrie

A period of silent reflection

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 326

The Prayers of the People

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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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Labor Day Parade Preparation Sunday - THIS MORNING! Help share Christ's message of love by making signs for parade participants to carry. We have Good News to share and church programs to highlight. Join us in the Parish Hall after ALL September 1st Sunday services (8, 10 and 5) to write a short message on red, pink and white heart-shaped signs. "Be Kind." "Love One Another." "Love. Forgive. Repeat."

Choir resumes rehearsals Wednesday, September 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. Our choir welcomes new members, especially persons who have some music reading and choral singing experience. We have a fun, busy year ahead! For information e-mail Organist-Choirmaster Teddy at guerrant@umd.edu.

Prime Timers Luncheon on September 5 The Prime Timers will meet in the church undercroft on Thursday, September 5th from 11:30 -1:30 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 2** to let her know you are coming and if you wish to order a lunch. The speaker will be Bill Offutt and the title of the presentation is: Richard Montgomery; a lecture on Montgomery County's namesake.

Teddy Guerrant Organ Concert THIS FRIDAY at 8PM! Our organist Theodore Guerrant will present a concert of "**Great Organ Music from Great Britain.**" The program will consist of works by Grayston Ives, Norman Cocker, Samuel Sebastian Wesley, Alfred Hollins, William Wolstenholme, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, John Ireland, Charles Villiers Stanford, Edward Elgar, and Herbert Sumsion. An English tea will follow the program. A free-will offering will benefit the parish music ministry. All are cordially invited to attend.

Bible Study at 4:00pm Today Please join us this summer 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.

Have you lost something at church? An umbrella, or water bottle, or eye glasses perhaps? Please see our church Lost and Found bin, by the armchairs outside of the church office.

LOOKING AHEAD

Tex-Mex Dinner & Silent Auction - 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/Chicken Fajitas with your favorite Tex Mex Fixin's. Cost is \$20 (individual) and \$40 family (up to four people). Sangria and Mexican Beer will be available for a small donation. Silent Auction items will continue to be accepted until September 15th. Questions? Contact Barbara Ferry (email) or Annie Seale (email) or Suzanne Lawrence (email). Click [here](#) for a donation form. Please bring your gift items to Peter Hanke in the Church office. _

Important Upcoming Dates:

- ***9/2: Labor Day Parade*** Join Christ Church and walk in the parade!
- ***9/5: Prime Timers Luncheon*** at 11:30am
- ***9/6: Guerrant Organ Concert*** in memory of Charles Serpan
- ***9/7: Celebration of Life for Charles Serpan*** at 1:30pm
- ***9/8: Annual Parish Picnic*** following the 10am service
- ***9/15: Sunday School for PreK-Grade 5 & Youth Group for Grades 6-12*** begins at 11:15 am.
- ***9/28: Dinner and Silent Auction*** at 6:00 pm - Enjoy a TexMex Dinner and win wonderful items!
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Come one, come all to
March in the Kensington Labor Day Parade
TOMORROW MORNING!



Christ Church to Shine a Light on Christ's Message of God's Love

- ***Kensington Labor Day Parade TOMORROW!*** Join us to be a visible sign of Christ's love. So, don your **red and/or pink gear**—t-shirt, shorts, walking shoes, hat, visor. Don't forget sunscreen! Meet the Christ Church parade cars at **(location to be announced soon)** between 8:30-9:30 AM. In years' past, we have been queued up in the neighborhood adjacent to St. Paul Park near Oberon Street and Wheatley Street. Coffee & Donut tailgating begins at 8:30! Pick up a heart-shaped sign and be ready to walk by 9:30 AM. Consider car-pooling from our church parking lot. Parking *may* be available on a lot on Concord Street, between Dupont Avenue and Plyers Mill Road.

Christ Church BBQ and Picnic!

Next Sunday, September 8



Please mark your calendars for our annual Christ Church bar-b-q/picnic coming up on September 8th following the 10AM service - always fun!

Hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers and turkey burgers will be provided by Parish Life but we would greatly appreciate sides and desserts. We'll also provide water and lemonade; otherwise parishioners can BYOS (Bring Your Own Soda)!

We need you help with grilling as well as with setting up and taking down tables. We also need help with setting out the food and with cleanup. If you are able to assist, please contact Jane Aylor at janeaylor@gmail.com or login to the Sign Up Genius link in the church announcements via email.

Questions? Please contact Jane Aylor at janeaylor@gmail.com.

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)
Ryan Mahoney (friend of David & Virginia Blackman)
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)
The Rt. Rev. Don Hart (father of Tom Hart)
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 Guarrant)
Mary Chalmers (mother of Joan Centrella)
Diane Ray (aunt of Kurt Ellison)
Donna James (friend of Jim Kennedy)
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, and Ray Whitman

We give thanks for the birth of

Kira Irene Aseltine & Ariane Behr Olson

Those who have died

Ann Gagarin, Bob Mand, Chlaila Hayne and Barbara Pierson

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

Beyer Bullard 09/01
Jo Crozier 09/02
Sasha Gottlieb 09/02
Judy Carter 09/03
Andrew Lalley 09/03
Tina Cleland 09/06

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
Campus Ministries of Howard University, University of Maryland, George Washington University, Georgetown University, American University, and St. Mary's College
National Association of Episcopal Schools
Pray for all students and teachers
Labor Day (September 2) Pray for all who labor, those who are unemployed, those who seek jobs, and all who must work for less than a living wage.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

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, and for people suffering everywhere.

Pray for an end to famine and violence.

The Sanctuary Candle and **The Altar Flowers** are offered to the glory of God in memory of Clara Martha Willis, given by her son Thomas Willis.

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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, September 1

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 Popsicles on the Lawn
4:00 PM Bible Study (Library)
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 2 - Labor Day

8:30 AM "Doughnut Tailgate" at
Annual Kensington
Labor Day Parade!!!
9:30 AM Christ Church in
Annual Kensington
Labor Day Parade!!!
7:00 PM Women's Al Anon Mtg.
(adult children of alcoholics)

Tuesday, September 3

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

Wednesday, September 4

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

Thursday, September 5

11:30 AM Prime Timers Luncheon

Friday, September 6

8:00 PM Guerrant Organ Concert

Saturday, September 7

9:30 AM Flower Guild
1:30 PM Celebration of Life for
Charles Serpan

Sunday, September 8

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM Choir Warm-up
9:45 AM Nursery Care
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist &
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11:15 AM Annual Parish Picnic!
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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

Linda Rowan
Chaliciist

John Rowan
Lector

Tina Cleland
Healing Prayer

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