

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
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 2019
5:00 PM

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

"O Worship the King"

arr. P. Keveren

Opening Hymn #388 (vv. 1,3,5) "O Worship the King"

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God dwells in you.

People: **And also in you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Exodus 32:7-14

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for-

ever."¹ And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 51:1-11

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.

6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.

7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.

11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #439 *What wondrous love is this*

The Gospel *Luke 15:1-10*

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Emily Guthrie

A period of silence follows

A Statement of Faith

Grace Episcopal Cathedral, San Francisco

We believe in God the Creator, by whom every person
in heaven and earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen

The Prayers of the People

The response to each bidding is, "Hear our prayer."

We encourage you to add your petitions and thanksgivings to the prayers.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect

Confession and Absolution

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.

We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake,
and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

The celebrant offers absolution

The Peace

Presider: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

All greet one another with a sign of peace.

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Meditation "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Offertory Hymn

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow / Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host: / Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: This is the table of the Heavenly Feast, the joyful celebration of the people of God.

All: We gather now as one body, joined around the table. Here we celebrate God's presence among us.

Celebrant: United in Christ's spirit, broken and whole all at once; nourished and hungry, loved and loving, sinner and forgiven; we make one circle of knowing, searching, rejoicing, being, as God lights and rests among us. God of dreams and visions, we give you thanks for all that you have made, and all that is beyond our knowing.

People: We give you thanks for Jesus, through whose life, death, and resurrection all things are made new.

Celebrant: We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit, whose ever-changing movement brings new life even when hope seems lost.

All: We give you thanks for your holy body, the Church, in which we find new vision for the days ahead.

Celebrant: Christ invites everyone to eat the bread of life, to drink the cup of the new covenant. Jesus said, I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall never hunger, you who believe in me shall never thirst. Therefore we join with saints and angels and people of every generation to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

Santo, Santo, Santo



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

On the night before he died, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, and after giving thanks to God, broke it and gave it to them saying, this is my

body, broken for the healing of the world. Whenever you eat it, do it in remembrance of me.

After supper, Jesus took the cup, said the blessing, and gave it to them saying, this is the cup of the new covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do it in remembrance of me.

O Holy One, send down your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ. Unite us with Christ forever and bring us with the whole creation to your eternal realm. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (alternate translation)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body for we all share one bread.

Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive communion.

At this service we gather around the altar and pass the bread and wine to one another.

*When you give the bread to your neighbor,
it is our custom to say "the body of Christ" and you may add "the bread of heaven";
with the wine, "the blood of Christ" and you may add "the cup of salvation."*

If you forget the words, simply pass the bread and wine with respect & love.

Gluten-free wafers are available, simply ask the priest.

*If you'd like to join the circle of love but not receive the bread & wine,
please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will offer you a blessing instead.*

When all have received, the Celebrant will say "Go in Peace,"

at which time please return to your seats.

Communion Meditation

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

arr. by M. Hayes

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn, #708 *Saviour like a shepherd lead us*

Dismissal After which the people respond: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Hope! This Sunday we welcome our new seminarian Hope Christensen, who is currently in the ordination process for the priesthood in the Diocese of Washington. With a deep passion for advocacy with marginalized people, Hope has worked in social services for over 15 years. She was recently named the Administrative Director of the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Institute in Washington, DC, and will soon be stepping down from her role at SEEC, where she served persons with disabilities in different advocacy and administrative capacities. Hope was raised in Seattle and made her way to the DC metro area by way of KY, TN and NC. She holds a B.A. from the Univ. of North Carolina at Greensboro. This September, Hope started her 2nd year at Bexley Seabury Episcopal Seminary in Chicago. She lives in PG county with her wife Lauren, a social worker in the DC Courts, their two cats, and a newly adopted greyhound. Please welcome Hope to the Christ Church community.

Come make a joyful noise with our Choir! Rehearsals are on Wednesdays 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.

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

From Your Vestry: On the Retreat and Moving Forward The vestry's mid-August retreat produced a set of exciting goals and objectives as well as a welcome time of fellowship and spiritual renewal. In brief the vestry agreed that Christ Church be a beacon, well known for living key Christian values

– engaging community outreach programs that show Christian love in action, an appealing Sunday morning experience with an expanded adult forum program, and increasing connection and engagement with all comers. Achieving this vision means enriching existing activities and launching new initiatives. More information to come! The retreat was generously hosted by the Quinns at their home in The Woods community in West Virginia.

Craft and Cake Group will continue on Thursday evenings at 7:30PM Please join us every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month for fellowship, “Crafting & Cake.” Bring a craft... join some friends... have some cake. Open to all who “enjoy the art of making” 7:30-9:30 in the Gathering Room, located on the lower level of the Education Wing. Contacts: Pam Prindle (pamelaprindle@gmail.com) or Emily Barry (emilybarry@me.com)

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Tex-Mex Dinner & Silent Auction on 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.

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 at barbara.p.ferry@gmail.com, Annie Seale at annieseale1@gmail.com, or Suzanne Lawrence at suzlaw1@comcast.net. Please bring your gift items to Peter Hanke in the Church office.

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 29 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

Those in need of healing prayers

Betsy Robbins, Liz McLeod, Sara Cowan, Jo Crozier, Mary Lou Cumberpatch, and Ray Whitman

We remember those serving our country

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

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)

We remember those who have died

especially Ryan Mahoney (friend of David & Virginia Blackman)

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

Robin Atkinson 09/10
Sharon Bartram 09/10
Lee Puricelli 09/10
Rachel Parsons 09/11
Rebecca Coe 09/14
James Rechen 09/17
Joan Centrella 09/18
Brooks Coe 09/18
Bill Croke 09/19
Rachel Jenny 09/21

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
St. Matthew's Church/San Mateo, Hyattsville
St. Matthew's Day School, Hyattsville
United Nations International Day of Peace (September 21)
Pray for peace and benevolence among all nations.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania

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 are offered to the glory of God in loving memory of Laura Therese and Frank Fedor by Anne Meyers.

The Altar Flowers are offered to the glory of God.

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Communications

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, September 15

4:00 PM Bible Study (Library)

5:00 PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 16

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

Tuesday, September 17

9:15 AM Women's Al Anon Mtg.

10:30 AM Women's Al Anon Mtg.

7:30 PM AA Meeting

Wednesday, September 18

6:30 PM Evening Prayer w/
Holy Eucharist

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 19

9:30 AM Flower Guild

3:00 PM The Wilbert-Donnelly
Wedding

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

Saturday, September 21

9:30 AM Flower Guild

4:00 PM The Oster-Conway
Wedding

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

New or Visiting?

We're so glad you're here today! Would you like more info about Christ Church? To receive our weekly e-announcements, please send an email with your contact information to Parish Administrator 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 put it in the offering plate.

In Today's Service

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Musician

Members of the Congregation
Lectors

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