

Morning Prayer

Third Sunday after the Epiphany



Christ Episcopal Church
on Zoom!
January 25, 2026
10:00 AM

A Blessed Sunday & Welcome to All

*Please keep yourself muted throughout the service
except when offering your prayers during the Prayers of the People
and during the Lord's Prayer.*

Gathering Music

*Des pas sur la neige (Footprints in the Snow) -- VI (Preludes, Book I) -- Claude Debussy
See Amid the Winter's Snow -- John Goss*

Welcome

Call to Worship

Presider Arise, shine, for your light has come.

People **The glory of the Lord is risen upon us.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider God dwells in you.

People **And also in you.**

Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

A moment of silence

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Presider Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Psalm 27:1, 5-10 *Dominus illuminatio* read responsively by half verse

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

6 Beholding the fair beauty of the LORD *
and seeking God in the temple.

7 For in the day of trouble, O God, you shall keep me safe in your shelter; *
you shall hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.

8 Even now you lift up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in your dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.

10 Harken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

The Lessons

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah *Isaiah 9:1-4*

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,

the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Cantic *A Song of Creation*

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, *
sing praise and give honor for ever.
In the high vault of heaven, glorify the Lord, *
sing praise and give honor for ever.

Glorify the Lord, you angels and all powers of the Lord, *
O heavens and all waters above the heavens.
Sun and moon and stars of the sky, glorify the Lord, *
sing praise and give honor for ever.

Glorify the Lord, every shower of rain and fall of dew, *
all winds and fire and heat.
Winter and summer, glorify the Lord, *
sing praise and give honor for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold, *
drops of dew and flakes of snow.
Frost and cold, ice and sleet, glorify the Lord, *
sing praise and give honor for ever.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians *1 Corinthians 1:10-18*

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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Musical Interlude

The Gospel *Matthew 4:12-23*

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles –
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

The Rev. Emily Guthrie

a moment of silent reflection

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

**On the third day he rose again. He
ascended into heaven,**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Presider God dwells in you.
People **And also in you.**
Let us pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Shine in your church, O God; embolden us, in a dark world, to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love. This day and always,
Christ be our Light.

Shine on your world, O God; heal the warring of nations and peoples, and the wounding of the earth to give us peace at last. We pray especially for peace in Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and everywhere there is violent conflict; and for peace and unity in this nation.
This day and always,
Christ be our Light.

Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family who clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice. This day and always,
Christ be our Light.

Shine in our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep in our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you. This day and always,
Christ be our Light.

Shine for the afflicted, O God; for all who are hungry, unhoused, or in danger; for refugees, prisoners, and their families. For all people living in fear this day, especially in Minneapolis. We pray also for the sick of our parish, including Helen-Paige Buck, Bonnie Douglas, Maggie Elgin, Anne Fox, Phyllis Knight, Jon Martineau, America Perez, Lissa Ramsepaul, Calvin

Smith, Ellen Thomas, William West, and Helen Urquhart; all caregivers; and for all who are on our hearts this day.

You are invited to add your own intercessions. Please unmute to offer your prayers aloud.

Remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows.

This day and always,

Christ be our Light.

Shine on those who have died and those who mourn. We remember especially William Cavill, Jr.; Julieanne Paige; William Oakley; all those tragically killed as a result of gun violence and war; and all those we now name.

You are invited to add your own prayers for the departed. Please unmute to remember the departed.

This day and always,

Christ be our Light.

Shine on the joyous, O God, especially those who celebrate their birthdays this week, including Jackie Waidmann, Frankie Fama, Drew Clausen, and Annie Seale. Help us to remember the blessings in our lives.

You are invited to add your prayers of thanksgiving. Please unmute to offer your prayers of thanksgiving!

This day and always,

Christ be our Light.

Shine, O God, as the Light that creates, the Light that calls, the Light that comes again with every dawn. Shine as the Light that scatters every shadow, and the Light in which we promise to walk, with your help. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory

For those who wish to make a contribution, you may give online

<https://christchurchkensington.org/give/>

Or simply scan this QR code:



We are so very grateful for your generosity and gifts of all kinds – spirit, time, prayer and money.

Benediction

The world is now too dangerous and too beautiful for anything but love.

May your eyes be so blessed to see God in everyone.

Your ears, so you hear the cries of the poor.

May your hand be so blessed that everything you touch is a sacrament.

Your lips, so you speak nothing but the truth with love.

May your feet be so blessed you run to those who need you.

And may your heart be so opened, so set on fire, that your love changes everything.

May the blessing of God, our Creator, our Redeemer, and our Sustainer be with us now and always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace bearing God's love and light to the world. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Announcements

Love in Action: Reaching Our Neighbors

CARROTS for CHRIST*

February 8th: Second Sunday *Carrot* Collection at Christ Church

*Well, **carrots** for our neighbors in the Body of Christ.

On Sunday, **February 8**, please bring in **TWO POUND BAGS OF CARROTS** for our neighbors who need our support, love, ...and fresh vegetables. (regular **carrots** not baby **carrots**) Help us collect **250 2-pound bags of carrots** to include in the monthly distribution at San Mateo. Bring one, two or as many as feels right. Get creative! Ask your neighbors to purchase a bag and bring it with you to church. Or go crazy, invite your neighbor to come to church *with* their **carrots**!

Monthly Food Packing at San Mateo Join us to help bag groceries – including those **carrots** - for distribution to families in need at San Mateo Episcopal Church in Hyattsville, MD. The next volunteering opportunity will be **Wednesday, February 11**. We meet in the CC parking lot to carpool over to San Mateo. Interested? Please let Margaret Fitzpatrick know if you are coming by *Tuesday* morning Feb 10. magbroefitz@aol.com

Food Justice DMV assists our immigrant neighbors with essential food and supplies. Please donate infant formula and diapers to help. You can leave them in the hallway across from the Outreach board. We will deliver them to Food Justice at least monthly. Do you want to know

more about Food Justice DMV? Contact volunteer Thea Kayne theakayne@gmail.com.

Love in Action: Faith & Spiritual Growth

Christ Church: Connect! *Canceled today due to weather – back in person next Sunday!*

The Intersection of Faith & Science: Second Session is February 8: Genetics

Come explore the intersection of faith & science this Epiphany season, led by parishioners Chris Ours, MD, Joan Centrella, PhD, and Ann Hagan, PhD.

The 3-Part series continues on **February 8**, following the 10am service in the Parish Hall. Over the course of this series, we will ask: How do we in the Christian community think about what it means to be human, created in God's image and existing in relationship with God and one another, in the context of scientific and technological advancements? The third session will be March 8th on AI. Each session will include time for Q&A. Join us!

Save the Date for VBS! This year Vacation Bible School (or camp!) will be June 29 - July 3. Children ages 4-10 are invited to join us for Growing in God's Garden, and youth volunteers are welcome – SSL hours provided! For questions about VBS, or any of our other Children's Ministry activities, please contact Ann Enkiri, sundayschool@ccpk.org.

Love in Action: Racial & Social Justice

Save the Date: Forum on Migrant Support, February 15 Join the Mercy Team following 10 am service. Learn about migrant support work happening across the Episcopal Diocese of Washington and how you can join these efforts.

All are welcome to join the Mercy Team Support the vulnerable in the current political crisis and put your faith into action. To join the Mercy Team distribution list, contact Cynthia Mitchell at justice@ccpk.org or Thea Kayne at theakayne@gmail.com. *This is the best way to find out about emerging needs and a variety of ways to get involved.*

Care Pod: The Mercy Team has formed a "Care Pod" - a circle of care and support - for a family of four with urgent needs following the deportation of a loved one. Watch the CC Connection in the future for a sign-up genius with specific items to contribute to help us support the family. There are hundreds of families in crisis in our area. If you would like to have a major impact on the well-being of a family in crisis, please consider volunteering to be part of a second Care Pod. Email Thea Kayne for more information.

WANTED: Newish computer

Perhaps you recently got a new snazzy computer? Do you have a perfectly good desktop computer that needs a good home? A parishioner needs a gently loved desktop computer

that has Windows 11 or greater. Please contact Jen Luna with any leads. Must be completely functional. Something you'd give to your mother.

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

Friends and Family of our Community

All who ask for prayers through our website

Anthony

Bob (friend of Nachin Bone)

Bruce Beamer (uncle of Nina Upshaw)

Betty

Charles

Coley Beggy (friend of the Hoffeditz Family)

Susan Best (sister-in-law of Jeff Taylor)

Beatriz Carera and the Carera family

Susan Catlette

Cecelia

Cindy

Eric Cozzens (son of Peter Cozzens)

Yvonne Dean (friend of Bonnie Douglas)

Kelly Doig (friend of Katie, Jackie & Katherine)

Jay Douglas (brother of Bonnie Douglas)

Daniel Epps (father of Cynthia Mitchell)

Gerald & Sandy Giddings (relatives of Liz & Bob Quinn)

John Godfrey (brother of Rena Godfrey)

Sandra Goldman (mother of Brad Christmas)

Gema Guarin (friend of Joan Centrella)

Rob Guzzon (father of a friend of Katherine Chatt)

Laura (friend of Betsy Robbins)

Doug Hanscom (friend of Emily Guthrie)

Lisa Harrison (friend of MaryBeth and Mike Etherton)

Earl Hill (godfather of Sean Quinn)

Terry Hodge (friend of Annie Seale)

Amanda Hoey (daughter of Anne Witt)

Bob Hoffman and his son Cornell

Floris & Rob Houston (friends of Joan Centrella)

John (friend of Mary Ellen Huzzard)

Nelly Jones (mother of Jennifer Jones)

Robert Kellam (cousin of Victoria Thanos)

Neal Klasky (friend of Lori Pujol)

Nancy & Pete Lane (sister & brother in law of Joan Centrella)

Abbi Livay (granddaughter of Ann Hagan)

Ray Martens (uncle of Roma Hart)

Martha (prayers for healing)

Maureen (friend of Donna Berkowitz)

Chris McCann (cousin of Katie Wallace)

Nick McGray (father of Craig McGray)

Meaghan Morin (Kensington neighbor)

Melanie Moxness (niece of Dwight Allen & Joan Centrella)

Miriam

Nicole

Cabrini Pak (friend of Dwight Allen)

Dawn Porter (friend of Liz McLeod)

Vivian Puricelli (mother of Lee Puricelli)

Ricky Reeves (grandson of Pat Reeves)

Robbie (friend of Sibbie O'Sullivan)

Andrew Rupli (son of Brenda Rupli)

Lori Richards (sister of Lisa Albright)

Sarah Rosenbaum (friend of Helen Urquhart)

Karen Sechrist (friend of Liz Quinn)

Margarita Serrano

Jerry Sheard (brother of Liz Quinn)

Scott Sherman (brother of Sara Thorne)

Sr. Margaret (friend of Leslie Everheart)

Naneita Smith (daughter of Calvin Smith)

Ben Sudbrink (son of Emily & Bill Sudbrink)

Jim Tavares (brother of Phyllis Knight)

Rick V. (friend of Lori Pujol)

Mia Van Bee (sibling-in-law of Madison Chase)

Ronald Young (cousin of Patrice Whiting)

Those in our community in need of healing prayers:

Helen Paige Buck, Bonnie Douglas, Maggie Elgin, Anne Fox, Phyllis Knight, Jon Martineau, America Perez, Lissa Ramsepaal, Calvin Smith, Ellen Thomas, and Helen Urquhart; all caregivers; all federal civil servants.

Those in need of continued prayer: Nora Buckley, Dorothy Clarke, Sara Cowan, Florence Crozier, David Dixon, Stephanie Feller, John Frohman, Ray Gardiner, Liz McLeod, Lee Puricelli, and Betsy Robbins.

We remember those in our community serving our country.

Clara Bartram, Alex Cox, Michael Cullinane, Alex Miller and David Hanna.

We remember those who have died: especially William E. Cavill, Jr. (father of Stephanie Cavill Matthews), Julieanne Paige (mother of Jason Paige), and William Oakley (cousin of Emily Guthrie).

We give thanks: all in our parish who celebrate their birthdays this week, including Jackie Waidmann (1/26), Frankie Fama

(1/27), Drew Clausen (1/31), and Annie Seale (1/31). Happy Birthday! *Send your prayer requests to emily@ccpk.org*
Have we missed your birthday? Please let us know!

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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, January 25 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00 AM Morning Prayer on Zoom!

4:00 PM Bible Study, Live on Zoom

Monday, January 26 – Office Closed

8:30 PM Compline, Live on Zoom

Tuesday, January 27

7:30 PM No Holy Handcrafters

Wednesday, January 28

6:30 PM Evening Prayer, Live on Zoom

Thursday, January 29

12:15 PM Prayers for Peace, Live on Zoom

7:00 PM Lectio Divina, Live on Zoom

8:00 PM Compline, Live on Zoom

Sunday, February 1 – Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I, In person only

9:30 AM Children's Faith Formation, Parish Hall & Classrooms

10:00 AM Children's Chapel, Parish Hall

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, In Person and Live Streaming on YouTube

11:30 AM Christ Church: Connect!, Church Library

11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

4:00 PM Bible Study, Church Library and Live on Zoom

5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, In person and Live on Zoom

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Unison or harmony

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult
 2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows,
 5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies,

1 of our life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his
 2 by the Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and
 3 of the vain world's gold - en store; from each i - dol
 4 days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in
 5 Sa - vior, make us hear thy call, give our hearts to

1 clear voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"
 2 toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.
 3 that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 4 cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 5 thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.