

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
Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2019
8:00 AM

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

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

The Gloria

BCP p. 324

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters. 2

3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 10:22-30

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

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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Temple authorities gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

Form VI

BCP p. 392

Confession & Absolution

BCP p. 331

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

Happy Mother's Day! Family Plant Out of Children's Garden immediately following the 10 AM Holy Eucharist. Stop by the garden along the driveway and help us plant a few flowers!

Celebrating our new confirmands! Grace Bullard, Limbani Chaponda, Charlie Eckert, Cora Flynn, and Brenden Puente were all confirmed at the National Cathedral yesterday! We congratulate each of them and celebrate their journey of faith!

Youth Group This week's youth group is split. We'll be learning about how doubt affects our faith.

The Gathering (6th/7th grade): Join Kitty for a discussion of C.S. Lewis.

The Loft (8th-12th grade): Join Madi to learn about Evelyn Underhill.

Children's Chapel and Sunday School Since Palm Sunday, we have been collaborating at our Chapel gathering to make one faith project to share with our congregation when we bring up the gifts. This has proven very effective for a calm and focused activity prior to our Children's Liturgy of the Word. At Sunday School, we have been coming together in a multi-age group and using our wonderful Godly Play resources to respond to God's Word, with children who read supporting the younger children in their learning. Thanks to Cindy Winder, Barbara Ferry, Andrea Dorf McGraw, Stephanie Feller MacDonald, Liz Quinn and John Ward for co-leading these worship and educational activities.

Bible Study resumes next week at 4:00pm The 4pm Bible study is on hiatus this week, but will continue as usual on May 19. For questions contact Lee Puricelli at leepuricelli@yahoo.com.

Craft and Cake Group this Thursday evening, May 16 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)

Recital at Christ Church this Saturday at 8PM! Baritone (and Christ Church parishioner) Richard Giarusso and pianist Andrew Jonathan Welch will present a recital at Christ Church on the evening of Friday, May 24 at 8:00 PM. The program, sponsored by the Georgetown Chorale, features songs of Gerald Finzi, Gustav Mahler, and Benjamin Britten. A free-will offering will support Yachad of Greater DC, the Chorale's 2019 beneficiary.

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. We look forward to your joining us!

LOOKING AHEAD

Come get your car washed! The youth group will be washing cars 9 am - Noon on Sunday, May 19th. \$20 per car - all proceeds go to fund the youth mission trip to Wilmington, NC. Questions? Email Madi (youthminister@ccpk.org) for more info.

Adult Forum on May 19 Join us in the undercroft on May 19 for an adult forum on what Christ Church can do to help our local immigrant communities at risk of profiling, family separation, detention and deportation. Questions? Contact Lee Puricelli at leepuricelli@yahoo.com for details!

Bethesda Cares Sandwich Brigade Needs Volunteers As so many of our have youth grown up and moved away, many of the families who were members of the Sandwich Brigade have also move away. So our Sandwich Brigade is looking for more families to join in and all it takes is one Saturday, once a year! You would be making about 60 sandwiches and delivering them to Bethesda Cares Saturday morning. This is a great family activity (all ages), we provide full instructions and believe me, it's not only fun, but rewarding! If you are interested, please contact Liz Quinn at webthemom@aol.com or 301-775-2545.

Saturday, June 1st is the 6th Annual Colleen's BA 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk to benefit the Colleen Mitchel Memorial Fund. The Fund was established in memory of Colleen Mitchel, who was born with biliary atresia (BA) in 1993, had a liver transplant at 7 months old, and died in 2013 at 19 years old from complications due to liver disease, while waiting on the transplant list over four years. Colleen was a member of Christ Church, and attended Grace Episcopal Day School, North Bethesda MS, Walter Johnson HS and the University of Michigan. Thanks to the Colleen Mitchel Memorial Fund and the annual BA 5K, over \$130,000 has been donated to support organ donation awareness in the DC area and ground-breaking research at the Johns Hopkins Pediatric Center into the root cause of BA and improving outcomes of children living with liver disease and post-transplant! Please come out and join this wonderful community event along Beach Drive in Kensington - by running, walking or volunteering. For details on the Run and to register, please go to www.colleensba5k.org.

Please note these Children's Ministry Program Dates:

May 26th: Children's Chapel Exploration of the Good Shepherd In lieu of Sunday School, all are invited to make a "Do not let your hearts be troubled..." paper craft during Coffee Hour. Supplies and directions will be on the Chapel gathering tables.

June 2nd: Faith Rocks! Celebration of Children's Chapel and Sunday School: Children will lead the congregation in the Lord's Prayer. All are invited to enjoy Coffee Hour and to decorate river rocks with encouraging words of faith--for home, for church, for sharing.

June 9th: Pentecost! Happy Birthday to the Church! Children's Chapel continues throughout the summer weeks. Sunday School resumes in mid-September.

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)
Debi Sheard (niece of Virginia Sheard and Liz Quinn)
The Beaudet Family (friends of the Blackman & Amaditz Families)
Karen Hudson (cousin of JoAnn Price)
Shane Young (friend of JoAnn and Lew Price)
Carolina Allen (Daughter-in-law of Dwight A. and Joan C.)
Pam King-Williams (friend of Joan Centrella)
Kevin Richards (friend of the Pujols)
Nancy and her family (friends of Anne Chase)
Ibrahim Ansari (Student of Kitty Shuler)
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)
Michael Harlow (nephew of Jean Shorett)
Ellen Watson (friend of Jane Aylor)
Barbara Fulwood (friend of Liz Quinn)
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 (Friend of Madison Chase)
Amy Carter (niece of Amy Saylor)
Joan Cantwell (sister-in-law to 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 Guerrant)
Mary Chalmers (Mother of Joan Centrella)

Those in need of continued prayer

Dorothy Clarke, Barbara Pierson, Nancy Maxwell, Chlaila Haynie, 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, Bob Mand, Sallie Buck, Sara Cowan, Jo Crozier, Ann Gagarin, & Mary Padgett

Those who have died

especially Andrew Lee & Tanase Vlahbei (Teodora Salow's grandfather)

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

Katharine Shuler 05/11
Joshua Blackman 05/12
Carly Chase 05/13
Laurie Falkenstein 05/14
JoAnn Price 05/14
Linda Rowan 05/15
Pamela Prindle 05/16
Norman McKay 05/17
Henry Wallace 05/17
John Cornwell Jr. 05/18

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
Church of the Good Shepherd, Silver Spring
Good Shepherd Episcopal Preschool, Silver Spring
St. Dunstan's Church, Bethesda
Pray for all mothers and those who have been as mothers to us.
Pray in thanksgiving for the life and witness of Thurgood Marshall (May 17)

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea

For the World

For our Muslim neighbors in the holy month of Ramadan. 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, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, 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 in thanksgiving for Emily Guthrie's 4th anniversary as Rector

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This Week at Christ Church

Easter Sunday, May 12

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 Hour
Sunday School
4:00 PM *No Bible Study Today*
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, May 13

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

Tuesday, May 14

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

Wednesday, May 15

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

Thursday, May 16

7:30 PM Craft and Cake Group

Saturday, May 18

9:30 AM Flower Guild

Sunday, May 19

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM - *Car Wash for Youth Gp.*
12 Noon *Mission Trip Fundraiser*
9:45 AM Nursery Care
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel
11:15 AM Aduly Forum, Coffee Hour
Sunday School
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

Ramzi Nemo
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Anne Meyers
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Linda Rowan
Healing Prayer

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