

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
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 25, 2019
5:00 PM

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Opening Hymn LEVAS 178 vs. 1-2 *Sweet hour of prayer*

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 58:9b-14 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 103:1-8

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless God's holy Name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and forget not all the Lord's benefits.

3 For the Lord forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;

4 The Lord redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 The Lord satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

6 The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.

7 The Lord made known to Moses the way *
and the Lord's works to the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if

we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Bless the Lord my soul

Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

The Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had

cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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 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

Land of Rest



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

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 #LEVAS 160 *This little light of mine*

Dismissal

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Backpacks for Arcola Elementary – TODAY! Please join us in the Undercroft following the 10am service to assemble 60 backpacks for delivery to Arcola Elementary on Monday the 26th. Questions? Please contact Virginia Sheard at 301-949- 3372 or boots3303@aol.com. Thank you to everyone for your wonderful generosity.

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.

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

Labor Day Parade—Christ Church to Shine a Light on Christ’s Message of God’s Love

- ***Labor Day Parade Preparation Sunday, 9/1:*** 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.”



- ***Kensington Labor Day Parade Protocol, Monday, 9/2:*** Let’s shine a light on Christ’s love! 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.

We are truly looking forward to having you join us next Sunday 9/1 for sign making and then at the parade on Labor Day to shine your light!

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 **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! On Friday evening, September 6, at eight o'clock, 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.

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE PARISH PICNIC! Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 8th following the 10 a.m. service. This is always a fun event to mark the end of Summer and the beginning of our Fall activities. Hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, water and lemonade will be provided and we're asking parishioners to bring side dishes and desserts. Please contact Jane Aylor of Parish Life by August 31 (janeaylor@gmail.com) to let her know if you can help with any of the following:

**bring a side dish or dessert* **help with set up and/or clean up* **help with grilling*
It's always a great time so let's make this our best picnic ever!

SILENT AUCTION: Everything but the Kitchen Sink!

A fundraiser for cabinets and cupboards, Saturday, September 28, 2019, 6:30pm

We're raising money to upgrade our kitchen with a Tex-Mex Dinner and Silent Auction! The committee asks for bid items by 9:00 am Sunday, September 15, 2019. Please consider donating items such as sporting event tickets, a weekend/week away at your get-away place, wine or other gift baskets, tickets to kid activities or other items. Items can be dropped off with Peter Hanke in the church office. Questions? Have a gift idea? Email Annie Seale (annieseale1@gmail.com) or Suzanne Lawrence (suzlaw1@comcast.net).

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 6:30 pm - Enjoy a TexMex Dinner and win wonderful items!

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)

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, & 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

Kira Irene Aseltine

We remember those who have died

Ann Gagarin, Michael Hoffeditz, Mike Clark, Bob Mand, Debi Sheard, Vida Dunie, Chlaila Hayne and Barbara Pierson

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

Amelia Brown 08/25

Teodora Salow 08/26

Betsy Robbins 08/27

Kathleen Duchelle 08/31

Gavin Keith 08/31

Ramzi Nemo 08/31

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
The National Cathedral School for Girls
Beauvoir, the National Cathedral Elementary School
Washington Episcopal School
The Bishop John T. Walker School

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Pray for the Anglican Church of South America

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 burns to the glory of God. Dax Andrew Foster in memory of his beloved father, Andrew L. Foster.

The Altar Flowers are offered to the glory of God in memory of Ann Gagarin, Chlaila Hayne and Barbara Pierson.

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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, August 25

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
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, August 26

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

Tuesday, August 27

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

Wednesday, August 28

6:30 PM Evening Prayer w/
Holy Eucharist

Saturday, August 31

9:30 AM Flower Guild

Sunday, September 1

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
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)

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

Justin Fitch
Musician

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Lectors

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