

Holy Eucharist Rite One The 2nd Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025 8:00 AM

Notes referencing posture – stand, sit, kneel – should be assumed to be optional. Assistive hearing devices are available in Surface Hall, outside the double doors.

Tolling of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

The Congregation stands for the procession.

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Gloria

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

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receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery hast established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Seated

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Acts 5:27-32

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- Hallelujah!
 Praise God in his holy temple; * praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; * praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; * praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; * praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath * praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory be to thee, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this,

he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise be to thee, O Christ.			
The Sermon		Seated	The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey
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We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,			

being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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A list of those for whom we pray is available in the back of the insert.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean, our presiding bishop, Terry, our bishop, Steve, our priest, and Kellie, our deacon, that

they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our president, Andy, our governor, Doug, our county judge executive, Todd, our city mayor, and for all who serve in the military, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor... and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Amen.

Confession of Sin	Kneeling
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Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen. Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace	Standing
Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of Christ.

Communion Instructions Seated

The Holy Communion

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The Great ThanksgivingEucharistic Prayer IIStanding

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit. Celebrant Lift up your hearts. People We lift them up unto the Lord. Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. People It is meet and right so to do. Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God ... here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Breaking of the Bread

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CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion is available to all baptized Christians, regardless of denomination. We serve communion at two stations: up at the altar rail and in front of the lectern, and you may go to either station. We have gluten-free wafers available; one arm across your chest will indicate that need to the clergy. To receive the wine, you can dip into or drink from any of the large chalices, or if you would like to dip into a chalice that no one has drunk from, that will be available at the station in front of the lectern on the pedestal. You can request a blessing instead of communion, whether baptized or unbaptized, by crossing both arms across your chest.

Sending Forth the Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer	Standing or kneeling	BCP 339
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Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal All Respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bob Adams by Karen Adams and family.

8 AM Ministers of the Service

Celebrant/Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey
Deacon	The Ven. Kellie Mysinger
Lector	Clyde Joyce
Intercessor	Laurie Joyce
Altar Party	Laura Cohron
Eucharistic Visitor	Julie Adams
Shepherd	Kirk Patton
Altar Guild	Sharon Valk

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, April 27
The Second Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00 AM Bread of Angels – Conference Room
9:00 AM Children' Sunday School
9:00 AM Conversations with Scripture
9:00 AM Youth Sunday School
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
11:00 AM Episcopal Youth Community
12:00 PM Weekly submission deadline for next Sunday's bulletin

Monday, April 28

9:00 AM Education for Ministry **5:00 PM** Education for Ministry **7:00 PM – 9:00 PM** Narcotics Anonymous – Moore Hall

Tuesday, April 29 12:00 PM Centering Prayer – Chapel **4:00 PM** Yoga – Moore Hall

Wednesday, April 30 7:30 AM Morning Prayer – Conference Room 11:00 AM Wednesday Community Lunch 12:00 PM Healing Eucharist 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous – Moore Hall 5:30 PM – 9:30 PM Episcopal Campus Ministry

Thursday, May 1

Friday, May 2 Church office is closed

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General Announcements

LOST & FOUND items will be in Surface Hall for the next 2 weeks. If you believe you have left something at the church, please retrieve it in this time frame. If you are unable to make it to the church, please let Vonda know what you are missing, if we have it, she will hold it int eh office for a week.

LIONS CLUB GLASSES COLLECTION if you have any eyeglasses you no longer need, please consider bringing them to the church and dropping them in the collection box in the Gathering Area to be donated so that those less fortunate may receive the gift of sight. Thank you!

DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE A committee helping Father Steve and the Vestry discern next steps following Mother Becca's departure is planning a series of listening sessions on the future of Christ Church. Watch your email in the coming days to sign up to attend one of these get-togethers. Your input is vitally important as we listen for what God has in mind for our community of faith.

Worship

LIVESTREAM WORSHIP will continue at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings on Facebook and YouTube.

Learn and Grow

CONVERSATIONS WITH SCRIPTURE meets on Sunday mornings at 9 AM in the All Saints Room. On November 10 we will begin a journey through The Book of Common Prayer, the Christian life, and basic beliefs of our faith. Our guide will be "Walk in Love" by Scott Gunn & Melody Wilson Shobe. Copies are available in the All Saints Room. All are welcome to participate in this ongoing open discussion, or maybe just listen in.

BREAD OF ANGELS is just finishing a thought provoking read, *Falling Upward* by Fr Richard Ruhr, OFM. We will not meet Psalm Sunday or Easter but will resume on April 27 reading Brian McLaren's *Faith after Doubt*. Recognized by *Time* magazine as one of the 25 Most Influential Evangelicals in America - with his strong influence on modern theology (and an honorary doctorate from VTS) - he is not your usual Evangelical! Professor, Pastor, Speaker and prolific Author McLaren is a loud and respected voice at a time when many Christians are turning away from the Church as we knew it an only few decades ago. Join us at 9:00 in the Conference Room. Check us out cecbg.com/boa.

CENTERING PRAYER is Tuesdays at 12:00 PM. We are meeting in the Chapel. Anyone who is interested is welcome. Any questions, please contact Kathy WiseLeonard at 270-779-5595 or email <u>billkathyleonard@bellsouth.net</u> or Janice Erbach at 270-904-1164 or email <u>kassta@jadegrel.net</u>.

Radiate

CHURCHES UNITED IN CHRIST HELP MINISTRY is one of the oldest outreach ministries of Christ Church. In partnership with two other downtown Christian churches, we attempt to assist families with their utility bill, emergency prescriptions, gasoline for an out of town doctor appointment, etc. For a long time, the NEED has far exceeded our resources to help. In order to effectively sustain this ministry, we need for members to step up with a pledge of \$10 or more per week. The Help Ministry at Christ Church currently distributes well over \$1,000 per month to those in need. We only help an individual once every 12 months. Please include a gift to the Help Ministry in your gifts to Christ Church! God Bless!

WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY LUNCH is now serving sack lunches. We are in need of monetary donations to further our program. Your donations are appreciated and can be put in the offering plate with a designation to WCL or may be made online at <u>https://www.cecbg.com/secure-giving</u>. We are also encouraging folks to join our team of volunteers to assemble and serve! Contact Mary Cash (<u>marygcash@gmail.com</u>), or Janice Erbach (<u>kassta@jadegrel.net</u>) for more information.

ONLINE GIVING Make a secure contribution online to the current year operating fund and/or other funds. You can make your donations through the church website.

Parish Prayer List

*indicates new

Parishioners of Christ Church

Judy Adams Aldis Brunson Janice Centers Vickie Cole Dolores Dodd Pipes Gaines Dean Gilbert Suzanne Hanratty Bob Harrison Nick Heil Doug Lawhorn Jennifer Lindsey David McKillip Paula Morgan Gretchen Niva Leigh Constans Pierce Karen Robeson Carroll Smith Deb Stein Crystal Stiles Josh Stiles Teddi Taylor Carroll Travelsted

Parishioners of Christ Church teaching overseas

Boo Petersen, South Africa

Galen Olmsted, Venezuela

In Remembrance

*Pope Francis *Joan Harper, *mother of Mike Harper* Debra Lanham, *requested by Brian Morrison* Kim Hart, *daughter of Tom Hart*

In Thanksgiving

For our Cloister Community

Military serving overseas known by Christ Church parishioners

Parishioners of Christ Church in discernment for ordained ministry David Kem Laurie Joyce

Family of Christ Church parishioners

Coy Applegate II, cousin of Vonda Garringer Anastasia Arnold, daughter of Deb Stein Martha Burch, mother of David Burch *Chelsea Coleman, great niece of Lou Goidel Jerre Coleman, son of Ward & Jane Coleman Nancy Cook, cousin of Sue Edwards Ron Corn, brother of Vonda Garringer Bethaney Curry, daughter of Karen Adams Dixie Daniel, sister of Portia Wimp Walter Derryberry, father of Pitt Derryberry Allen Dodd and family, son of Dolores Dodd Spencer & Abby Goidel, grandson & wife of Don & Lou Goidel Cammy Hanson, sister of Jeff Cash Mary Annie Harper, sister of Mike Harper Kim Hart, daughter of Tom Hart Jessie Hurst and family Jerry McKenzie, brother-in-law of George Anna McKenzie Debbie Morrison, sister-in-law of Brian Morrison

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Others known by Christ Church parishioners

Donna Ahrens, requested by Devan MacGregor Dick Anderson, requested by Father Steve Braylen Bell, requested by Vonda Garringer & Lilah Wendy Blakenship, requested by Devan MacGregor Keith and Jan Cassada and family, requested by Laurie Joyce David Corns, requested by Clyde Joyce Kaleb Denney, requested by Bonnie Schlicht Timmy Dickerson, requested by Vonda Garringer Chris & Amy Engelhoven, requested by Jenny Morehead Sharon Harvey, requested by Doug Lawhorn Danny Horn, requested by Laurie Joyce Ann King, requested by George Anna McKenzie Morgan King, requested by George Anna McKenzie Blake Layne, requested by John Carbin Jeanne Marie Patterson, requested by Barbie Tatman The Rev. Michael Vollman, requested by the Clergy Sally Watson, requested by Belinda Palmer Kristen Wheeler, requested by Deacon Kellie

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Church Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM | Thursday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Closed Friday