CHRIST CHURCH

🖈 A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta 🛧

"Growing by God's Grace into a Family of Faith and Ministry"



Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost October 14, 2018 | 11 AM

🖈 Diocesan Purpose Statement 🛧

"We challenge ourselves and the world to love like Jesus as we worship joyfully, serve compassionately, and grow spiritually."

Welcome to Christ Church

Christ Church gladly welcomes all people. Our clergy, staff, and parishioners are delighted to assist you in learning more about our worship and our community. Restrooms are in the Parish House, located to the left of the church. Ushers are available to assist you as needed. If this is your first time visiting with us today, please complete a visitor card (*located in the pew*) and place it in the offering plate. We are delighted you are here, and we hope to see you again soon.

A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers beginning at 9am. Christian Formation for all ages begins at 10am. Materials are available in the Narthex for younger children. Children, through 5th grade, who complete the *Sunday Challenge* may hand in their sheet following the service to receive a reward.

Christ Church was founded in 1825, and was the first church established in Macon, Georgia. We are the Mother Church of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta and are a member of the Worldwide Anglican Communion.

Receiving Holy Communion

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination or age, are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you do not wish to partake, you are invited to receive a blessing by crossing your arms at the altar rail. If you are unable to come to the altar, please notify an usher and the elements will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available if you have a wheat allergy.

Parish Prayer List

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Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild Susan Allen Nan Harper Susan Stone

Flower Guild Maryel Battin Lector/Chalice Bearers
Scott Hoskins

Dawn Key

VergerChristine Hoskins

Ushers & Greeters
Susan and Bill Allen
Ellen and Dell Bunker
Steve Solomon
Meg and Andrew Sutherland

As we enter the Nave, let us prepares our hearts and mind to worship God.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on "St. Anne" H. Alexander Matthews (1879–1973)

Hymn in Procession: Alleluia! sing to Jesus! Hymnal, 460

The Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

All:

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

The Gloria Hymnal, S 280

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for

ever.

People: Amen.

The First Lesson Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Lector: A reading from the Book of Amos.

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 90:12-17



- 1 So teach us to number our /days * that we may apply our hearts to /wisdom.
- 2 Return, O Lord; how long will you /tarry? * be gracious to your /servants.
- 3 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the /morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our /life.
- 4 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you af/flicted us * and the years in which we suffered ad/versity.
- 5 Show your servants your /works * and your splendor to their /children.
- 6 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be u/pon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our /handiwork.

The Second Lesson Hebrews 4:12-16

Lector: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God Hymnal, 711

The Holy Gospel Mark 10:17-31

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Zachary D. Neubauer

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form VI

BCP, p. 392

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offertory: O How Amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Hymn at the Presentation: Take my life, and let it be

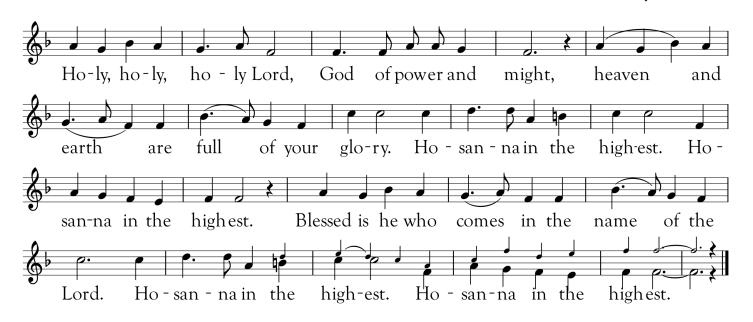
Hymnal, 707

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

The Sanctus

Hymnal, S 125



Words of Institution

BCP, p. 362

Memorial Acclamation

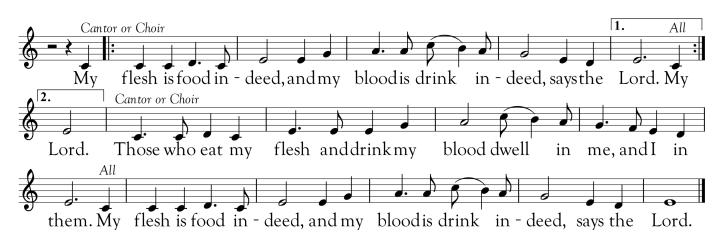


The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364



Invitation to Holy Communion

BCP, p. 365

Hymn during Communion: This is the hour of banquet and of song

Hymnal, 317

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 366

All: Almighty and

Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession: Sing praise to God who reigns above

Hymnal, 408

The Dismissal

The priest dismisses the people

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: Choral Prelude on "Hanover"

Alec Rowley (1892–1958)

CLERGY & STAFF

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