

CHRIST CHURCH

✠ A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta ✠

"Growing by God's Grace as a Family of Faith, Fellowship, and Ministry"



First Sunday after the Epiphany: "Baptism of our Lord"

January 13, 2019 | 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 10 am. 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

Abby, Adrienne, Amanda, Angela, Anne, Beverly, Bill, Bobby, Brian, Candy, Caitlyn, Carrie, Cissy, Cole, Connie, Crawford, David, Debbie, Deitz, Edsel, Faye, Gail, George, Jason, Jayne, Jocelyn, Jim, Julie, Kathryn, Kelly, Laura, Malcolm, Marco, Margaret, Matthew, Martin, Mary Jane, Melanie, Michael, Munnerlyn, Pammy, Pete, Phil, Ricky, Rosa, Seabi, Shannon, Thomas, and William.

For those serving in the military especially, Allen, Austin, Brian, Caylee, Charlie, George, Jeffrey, John, Jon, Regis, Terry.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of: Erin O'neal Clarke, George Clisby Clarke, Erin Clarke Crandall, and The Rev. Canon Robert L. Crandall.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Altar Guild

Coleman Crutchfield
Nan Harper
Susan Stone

Flower Guild

Trish Whitley

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Ellen Bunker
Scott Hoskins

Verger

Christine Hoskins

Ushers & Greeters

Elizabeth & Bobby Cleveland
Lauren & Bud Jones
Meg & Andrew Sutherland
Gini & Duncan Walker

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary: “*Why does azure deck the sky?*” Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

Hymn in Procession: *We know that Christ is raised and dies no more* Hymnal, 296

The Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer, p. 299

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

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

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: **One God and Father of all.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People: **Amen.**

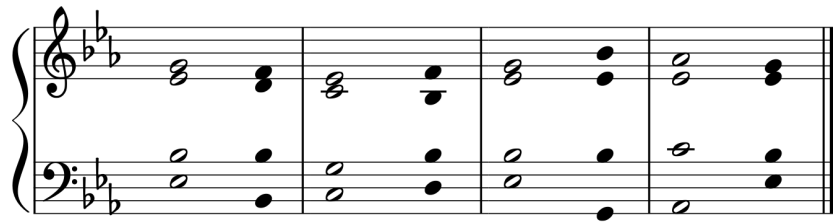
The First Lesson Isaiah 60:1–6

Lector: A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you /gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and /strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his /Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of /holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory /thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty /waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful /voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of /splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar /trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of /Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a /calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild /ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the /wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Ka/desh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees /writhe *
and strips the forests /bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the /Lord *
all are crying, /"Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the /flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for ever/more.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his /people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of /peace.

The Second Lesson

Acts 8:14-17

Lector: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn at the Sequence: *Christ, when for us you were baptized*

Hymnal, 121

The Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Rev. Zac Neubauer

Baptismal Hymn: *Sing praise to our creator*

Hymnal, 295

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

BCP, p. 301

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP, p. 304

The Baptism

BCP, p. 307

Mary Margaret Sherwood & Garrett Bernard Sherwood, Jr

The Peace

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offertory: *As with gladness men of old* Herbert Sumsion (1899–1995)

Hymn at the Presentation: *Praise God, from whom, all blessings flow* Hymnal, 380 st. 3

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A BCP, p. 361

The Sanctus Hymnal, S 125

Words of Institution BCP, p. 362

Memorial Acclamation



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem Poe (2018)



O Lamb of God that ta - kest a-way the sins of the world, have



mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God that ta - kest a-way the



sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God that



ta - kest a-way the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Invitation to Holy Communion BCP, p. 365

Hymn during Communion: *O Light of Light, Love given birth* Hymnal, 133

The Post-Communion Prayer BCP, p. 365

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession: *O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling* Hymnal, 539

The Dismissal

The priest dismisses the people

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: *Praeludium in B Flat, BWV 560* attr. Johann Ludwig Krebs(1713–1780)

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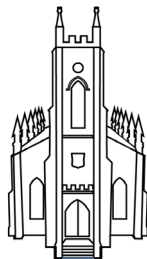
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