

CHRIST CHURCH

A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta

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



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 13, 2021 | 8 & 10 AM

Diocesan Purpose Statement

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

THE ENTRANCE RITE

As we enter the nave, let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Prelude and Fugue in e minor, BWV 533

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

The People stand

HYMN IN PROCESSION: The Church's one foundation

The Hymnal 1982, 525

WELCOME

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 (*sung at 10 am*)

Hymnal, S 280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 17:22-24

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig
from the lofty top of a cedar;
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one
from the topmost of its young twigs;
I myself will plant it
on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel
I will plant it,
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will nest
winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know
that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

Psalm 92:1-4,11-14

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, *
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
- 2 **To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning *
and of your faithfulness in the night season;**
- 3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, *
and to the melody of the harp.
- 4 **For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; *
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, *
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- 12 **Those who are planted in the house of the Lord *
shall flourish in the courts of our God;**
- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; *
they shall be green and succulent;
- 14 **That they may show how upright the Lord is, *
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.**

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

A reading from the second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: We know that Christ is raised and dies no more Hymnal, 296

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

the Rev. Cynthia Knapp

The People stand

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

The People kneel

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM VI

BCP, p. 392

Parish Prayer List: Amanda, Ashley, Bailey, Brandy, Candy, Christy, Crawford, Elizabeth, Gary, George, Helen, Herklee, Hunter, Jackson, Jay, Jayne, Jennifer, Laura, Latoya, Libby, Linda, Kelly, Kice, Malcolm, Marcello, Margaret, Mary Louise, Matthew, Melanie, Nancy, Pammy, Pat, Pete, Peter, Ray, Rob, Sadia, and Sandy.

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:
Marion Harper Liles, Mary Frierson Liles, and June Liles.*

The people stand

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

W. A. Mozart (1756–1791)

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie, O Jesu Fili Mariae. Miserere mei. Amen.

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary. Have mercy on me. Amen.

The People stand

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION: Praise God from whom all blessings flow Hymnal, 380 st. 3

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP, p. 361

THE SANCTUS Hymnal, S 125

The people kneel

WORDS OF INSTITUTION BCP, p. 362

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION BCP, p. 363

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP, p. 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN DURING COMMUNION: Father, we thank thee who hast planted Hymnal, 302

The people kneel

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 366

Let us pray.

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

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: Love divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal, 657

THE DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Toccata on *O filii et filiae*

Lynnwood Farnam (1885–1930)

CLERGY & STAFF

The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, *Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church*

The Right Reverend Robert C. Wright, *Bishop of Atlanta*

The Reverend Cynthia C. Knapp, *Rector*

The Reverend Steve Ayers, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Mr. Jonathan A. Poe, *Director of Music & Liturgy*

Dr. Hal Brickle, *Director of Weekend Lunch Ministry*

Mrs. Katherine Coleman, *Parish & Financial Administrator*

Mr. Robert Hubbard, *Sexton*

Ms. Lakeshia Ross, *Assistant Sexton*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Dr. Hal Brickle, *Lector & Intercessor (8am)*

Mrs. Sheri Pyles, *Verger (10am)*

Dr. Chris Blake, *Lector & Intercessor (10am)*

The Christ Church Choir

VESTRY

Tripp Maddux, *Senior Warden*

Roger Marxsen, *Junior Warden*

Malcolm Burgess, *Treasurer*

Blair Sumrall, *Clerk*

Tom Green

Julie Groce

Kelli Hill

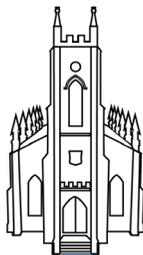
Dawn Key

Laurie Minette

Katie Powers

Pete Tosh

Duncan Walker



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