

# CHRIST CHURCH

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A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta

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



**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**JULY 25, 2021 | 8 & 10 AM**

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Diocesan Purpose Statement

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*"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

*The People stand*

**HYMN IN PROCESSION:** We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting      The Hymnal 1982, 51

## 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

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.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 4:42-44

A Reading from the Second Book of Kings.

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left." He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE GRADUAL

Psalm 145:10-19

- 10 All your works praise you, O Lord, \*  
**and your faithful servants bless you.**
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom \*  
**and speak of your power;**
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power \*  
**and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \*  
**your dominion endures throughout all ages.**
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words \*  
**and merciful in all his deeds.**
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; \*  
**he lifts up those who are bowed down.**
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, \*  
**and you give them their food in due season.**

- 17 You open wide your hand \*  
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways \*  
and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, \*  
to all who call upon him faithfully.

## THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:14-21

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

*The People stand*

**HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE:** Just as I am, without one plea

Hymnal, 693

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:1-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down."

Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*The People sit*

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

*We pray for those serving in the military, especially, Allen, Austin, Cameron, Charlie, George, Georgia, Joe, John, Rose, and Thomas.*

*Merciful Lord, we pray for peace and healing in the land of Haiti and turn the hearts of the people back to you. Raise up godly leadership and bring the violence and unrest to an end. Protect the innocent and go before those seeking to bring relief to those in need.*

*We pray also for healing and grace in Uganda, that the pandemic would come to an end and the people would be able to return to work. Feed the hungry, Lord, and give wisdom and guidance to those in leadership.*

*We pray for compassion and grace for the people of Cuba that their leaders may cease oppression, that the hungry may be fed and the sick nurtured with medications, and that the pandemic surge may be relieved so that healing may begin across the country.*

*We pray for your protection and blessing on all missionaries especially those in Cuba, Haiti, and Uganda, that through them, the work of your Kingdom would be accomplished.*

*We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Howard Watkins Carithers; Edward E. Carithers, Jr; Merle Wickboldt Groce; James Cleteous Groce; Lucy Anderson Watkins; and Howard Hatcher Watkins.*

## **THE ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

*The people stand*

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

**MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY:** O Welt, ich muss die lassen Johannes Brahms

*The people stand*

**PRESENTATION HYMN:** 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

*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:** O Food to pilgrims given Hymnal, 309

*The people kneel*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** BCP, p. 366

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:** I come with joy to meet my Lord Hymnal, 304

**THE DISMISSAL**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**



## CLERGY & STAFF

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

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

The Rev. Cynthia C. Knapp, *Rector*

The Rev. 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

Peggy Woodhall, *Lector & Intercessor (8am)*

Richard Hughes, *Verger (10am)*

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

The Christ Church Choir *(10am)*

## VESTRY

Tripp Maddux, *Senior Warden*

Roger Marxsen, *Junior Warden*

Malcolm Burgess, *Treasurer*

Blair Sumrall, *Clerk*

Tom Green

Julie Groce

Kelli Hill

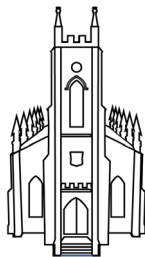
Dawn Key

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Pete Tosh

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