



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany February 19, 2017

10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

"Voluntary in G Minor"

G.F. Handel

"Aurelia"

Hymn 525

1 The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

2 Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

4 Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blessed,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed;

5 Yet she on earth hath union
with God, the Three in one,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People

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

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

Hymnal S280

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.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God.

You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Psalm 119:33-40

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

Congregation **Teach me, O Lord, the way of your /statutes, ***
Response **and I shall/ keep it to the end.**

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

36 Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

Congregation **Teach me, O Lord, the way of your /statutes, ***
Response **and I shall/ keep it to the end.**

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

Congregation **Teach me, O Lord, the way of your /statutes, ***
Response **and I shall/ keep it to the end.**

1 Corinthians 3:10-11,16-23

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,

“He catches the wise in their craftiness,”
and again,

“The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,
that they are futile.”

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future-- all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

“Down Ampney”

Hymn 516

1 Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

2 O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;

3 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

The Sermon

Rev. Nicholas Hull

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Form II

BCP 385

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;
for our Bishop(s) _____; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially _____].

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers for _____.

I ask your thanksgiving for _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored [especially _____ whom we remember today].

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*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 Peace, Announcements

Offertory Anthem

God Now Dwells Among Us

Hans Leo Hassler

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The Lord be with you.
 People **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts.
 People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sanctus*"Holy, holy, holy Lord"*

Hymnal S125

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.*

Memorial Acclamation

BCP 363

*Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***The Lord's Prayer, Breaking of Bread**

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem:*"Christ our Passover"*

Hymnal S 154

All: ***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion Chant:*I will relate your wondrous deeds*

Psalm 9:1-2, 10

"Splendor paternae gloriae"

Hymn 5

1 O splendor of God's glory bright,
 O thou that bringest light from light,
 O Light of Light, light's living spring,
 O Day, all days illumining,

4 to guide whate'er we nobly do,
 with love all envy to subdue,
 and give us grace our wrongs to bear,
 to make ill-fortune turn to fair.

2 O thou true Sun of heavenly love,
 pour down thy radiance from above:
 the Spirit's sanctifying beam
 upon our earthly senses stream.

5 All laud to God the Father be;
 all praise, eternal Son, to thee;
 all glory to the Spirit raise
 in equal and unending praise.

3 With prayer the Father we implore:
 O Father, glorious evermore,
 we plead with thee for grace and power
 to conquer in temptation's hour.

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Let us pray

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father,**
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Closing Voluntary

Toccata in D Minor

Johann Pachelbel

*We give thanks for the beauty of the Altar Flowers
Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of
Lucy Brown Coleman
by James, Beverley, Rives and Lucy*

Monthly Prayer List: Hannah "Lou" Shelton; Clay Gravely, Julia Hall, Sean Mahoney, Charles Johnson, Dan Prince, George R. Lewis, Margaret, Scott Derks, Marie Stallworth, Mark Niblett, Larry Farrar, Charles Smith, Marie, Katherine Wright (Amy Joyce's mother), Charlotte McClain, Sally Jordan, Peggy, George Seals, Heavenly Harris, Katrina Flythe, Howard, Lynn Shumate, David, Connie, Jean Morris, Debbie Purdy (Friend of Cindy Hammond), Rev. Scott Hauser (Cousin of Lynn Gardner), Elizabeth Isley Riley (Daughter of Ran & Linda Isley) and Judy Cox.

We remember in our prayers our companion church of All Saints Keighley and their Priest, Jonathan Pritchard.

Church, Financial or Member Questions – As of February 1st, Linda Gray, our Financial Secretary, has semi-retired. If you have any church, financial or people suite questions, please contact Deborah Scarce, Parish Administrator, at 276-632-2896 OR via email at office@christchurchmvl.org.

Parish House Elevator – As of Tuesday, February 14th, the Parish House elevator will be temporarily out of service for approximately four weeks. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

President's Day Holiday – The CEC church office will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day.

Every Wednesday – Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the chapel at 12:00 PM.

Loaves & Fishes - Wednesday, February 22nd from 5:30-6:15 PM. They are in need of desserts & people to help serve & clean-up. To make sure that we have enough desserts and are fully staffed for a better overall community ministry and experience, please sign up online under the Volunteer link.

They will also be accepting clean, gently used coats for men, women and children in all sizes for anyone in need. Please drop off all coats at the Parish Office or in the Undercroft before 4:00PM on Wednesday, February 22nd

Adult Choir Rehearsal – Thursday, February 23rd at 7:00 PM.

**Mardi Gras Progressive Dinner
Friday, February 24th**

The Parish Life Committee presents "Mardi Gras Madness!" The Annual Progressive Dinner begins at 6:30 PM with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the home of Cari and Will Zimmer then we will continue on to the home of Karen and David Jones for dinner and dessert. Please make reservations by signing up online, via email at office@christchurchmvl.org or by calling the Church office at 276-632-2896. You may also make reservations in the Narthex on Sundays after the services. Please respond by Tuesday, February 21st. The cost is \$30.00 per person. Please make checks payable to "CEC" with "Mardi Gras" in the memo line.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry
Monday, February 27th at 10:30 AM in the Parish House**

The Shawl Ministry began at Christ Episcopal Church in 2013. Members donated time and talent to make handmade knitted/crochet shawls for those in need. A blessed shawl provides healing and comfort to those who are ill or homebound. Both the giver and the recipient are enriched.

If you would like to join us on please sign up online or in the Narthex. Needles and yarn will be available. All are welcome!

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, February 28th from 5:00 pm - 7:00 PM in the Undercroft**

Everyone is invited to attend the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper hosted by the Youth of Christ Church. They have often served up this fun pancake supper on the evening before Ash Wednesday, the official and very somber beginning of Lent. Everyone is welcome to join us for the Pancake Supper, of pancakes, sausage and a drink, for: \$6 - adult, \$4 - children to age 10, \$20 family maximum. This will be a fundraiser for our Youth Group. To make sure that we have an accurate count of attendees, please sign-up in the Narthex or online under the Volunteer link.

Ash Wednesday, March 1st - Our Ash Wednesday custom at Christ Episcopal Church is to offer two Holy Communion services on this day, one at Noon, and one at 7:00 PM, both offering Imposition of Ashes to all faithful. You are invited to attend either service. (Music and choirs at the evening service).

Happy Birthday this week to: 2/20 Tommy Hudgins; 2/21 Vance Pitzer; 2/22 John Franck, Henry Probst; 2/23 Randy March, 2/24 Violet Mazurek, Alex Mei; 2/25 Tom Eplett, Steve Keyser, Finley Trent

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for February thru March 2017: Cereal OR Jelly (up to 28 oz.). For the month of February: Bath Soap and Toothpaste. Use the Food Lion card for your shopping or give the card to Sue Rosser or Barbara Holland to shop for Grace Network. "Grace is counting on us to help keep their food pantry balanced. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry."

Thank you to those who serve:

Chalicians: Ann Gardner, Steve Keyser
Lector/prayers: Will Zimmer
Acolytes: Campbell Pitzer, Hadden Probst
Torch Bearers: Claire Warner Coleman, Baylie Coleman
Ushers: Charles Smith, Ron Probst
Altar Guild: Team One

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