



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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We are a community of faith striving to love God fully and our neighbors as ourselves.

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 14, 2024
10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Please silence your electronic devices. Music and lyrics of hymns may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Full text of prayers may be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

The Opening Voluntary *Prelude and Fugue in F* J. S. Bach

Processional Hymn *"Praise to the living God!"* Hymn 372

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Celebrant says

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.*

Gloria in excelsis *Glory to God* 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.***

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Reader A reading from the Book of Amos (7:7-15)

This is what the Lord GOD showed me: the LORD was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord
People *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 85:8-13 *Benedixisti, Domine*

- 8 I will listen to what the Lord /God is /saying, *
 for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
 and to those who /turn their hearts to /him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to /those who /fear him, *
 that his glory/ may dwell in our /land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have /met to/gether; *
 righteousness and /peace have kissed each /other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up /from the /earth, *
 and righteousness /shall look down from /heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed /grant pros/perity, *
 and our land /will yield its in/crease.
- 13 Righteousness shall go /before /him, *
 and peace shall be a /pathway for his /feet.



Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (1:3-14)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also,

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 V

Standing or kneeling

BCP 389

Reader In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without
fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect, for Mark our own
Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to
you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that
all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends
of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may
receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among
nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those in positions of public trust, especially Joe, our President, that they may serve
justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that
the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord,
have mercy.***

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all
who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord,
have mercy.***

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we
may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we
pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or
offended, we pray to you, O Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer A

Standing

BCP 361

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

Celebrant BCP 361-362

It is right... proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People Hymnal S 125

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.

Celebrant *Kneeling or standing* BCP 362-363

Holy and gracious Father: ... do this in remembrance of me. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Hymnal S 132

Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Celebrant *Kneeling or standing* BCP 363

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer (People and Celebrant)

<p>Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses</p>	<p>as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.</p>
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Breaking of Bread

Fraction Anthem *Christ Our Passover* Hymnal S 154
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
 therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive at the altar rail, kneeling or standing. Gluten-free wafers are available by request. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward and place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. After receiving the bread, you may choose to consume the bread and take a sip of wine from the chalice or hold onto the bread and intinct (dip) it into the wine, in which case please hold the wafer in front of you so the chalice will know to bring you the intinction cup. You may also decline to receive the wine (as the bread in itself is full communion), in which case if you remain at the altar rail please place your arms across your chest to signal the chalice. Those who cannot or prefer not to come forward may inform an usher, and the Celebrant will come to you.

Communion Chant *For the remembrance of me* 1 Corinthians 11, Psalm 34

Communion Music “Pavanne and Galliard” Wm. Byrd

Once all have received, the celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and people, standing or kneeling

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.

The celebrant blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn “Amazing Grace!” Hymn 671

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Closing Voluntary *Amazing Grace* arr. Margaret Mueller

*The beauty of the Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of Lucy Brown Coleman and James D. Coleman, Sr.
By the family*

Pray for the Bishop’s Visitation to St. Paul’s, Bear Mountain. Pray for the people of St. Paul’s, Bear Mountain. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds, and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Sunday Bible Study

Our Sunday morning Bible study meets at 9:30 in the Parish House on July 14; this week we will study the story of David’s service among the Philistines (1 Samuel 29). All are welcome and encouraged to attend as your presence allows; no preparation ahead of time is necessary.

Summer Sundays

Continuing a summer tradition, we will have fellowship time after the service, with lemonade and cookies on the patio (or in the undercroft if it’s raining) from **June 2 through August 25**; if you are willing to help bring beverages and treats or set up and

clean up, please sign up on our website under volunteers at <https://christchurchmvl.org/volunteering.cfm?ID=318>.

Wednesday Eucharist

On Wednesdays, we celebrate Holy Eucharist at Noon in the Chapel (enter via the glass Undercroft door at the back of the church building). These brief (thirty-minute) spoken services commemorate the saint of the day from the Episcopal calendar of Lesser Feasts and Fasts and are perfect for those who want to attend a service but are unable to come on Sunday mornings or who want an additional gathering for corporate prayer to help them through the week. Barring any unexpected developments, we will worship every Wednesday in July (3, 10, 17, 24, and 31).

Pastoral Care Teams - Volunteers

We need more volunteers for the Pastoral Care Committee. These groups set up, clean up, and organize receptions for funerals and when Bishop Mark visits. **We have one opening in June/December.** Everybody serves two months. We also need substitutes if the people scheduled for those months are unavailable. Contact Deborah to volunteer and for which month group at 276-632-2896 or office@christchurchmvl.org. Thank you in advance for volunteering!

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for July - September: Mac n Cheese. For July: toilet paper, feminine products, deodorant, and hygiene items. As a Church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need. Please remember to pick up our assigned item the next time you visit the grocery store. You can bring your items to the Church office OR put them in the little red wagon in the Narthex.

SAVE THE DATE

The Dan Prince and Gene Medley Memorial Oyster Roast is scheduled for Friday, November 1, 2024, at 6:00 pm. *Details to follow.*

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Hank Long

Chalicers: Jay Dickens, Tom Webster

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Cantor: Raul West

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: Ben Lewis, Dan Cahill, Michael Hodges

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: Betty Budde, Natalie Coleman

Altar Guild: Team Two - Page Beeler, Frankie Smith, Janice Cain, Ruth Foley, Rita Hodges, Michael Hodges, Valerie Payne

Nursery Attendants: Emily Williams

Lemonade: Susan Critz

2024 Christ Church Vestry

Year 3: Ben Beeler; Jay Dickens, Senior Warden; Beverly Lyle, Treasurer; Andy Williams, Junior Warden

Year 2: Betty Budde; Natalie Coleman, Secretary; Pat Russell; Will Zimmer

Year 1: Bob Bushnell, Rives Coleman, LaRue Powers, Bob Weatherall