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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost w/Acoustic Music September 29, 2024 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Please silence your electronic devices.
Full text of prayers may be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Processional Music:

I Saw the Light

By Hank Williams, Sr.

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear Savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light, I saw the light No more in darkness, no more in night Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord, I saw the light

Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light I saw the light, I saw the light No more in darkness, no more in night Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord, I saw the light

I was a fool to wander and stray Straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded the wrong for the right Praise the Lord I saw the light

I saw the light, I saw the light No more in darkness, no more in night Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord, I saw the light

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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

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:

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.*

have mercy on us:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People:* And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Reader A reading from the Book of Numbers (11:4-6,10-16,24-29)

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery." So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun. the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

Reader The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

Psalm 19:7-14 Caeli enarrant

Standing

- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
- Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Reader A reading from the Letter of James (5:13-20)

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn

I Bless You

Dennis Jernigan

I bless you with joy and peace And love that won't let go I bless you with grace and faith And fire in your soul

I bless you with dreams and visions Most men don't know of I bless you with deeper knowledge Of our Fathers love

I bless you with joy and laughter
I bless you with a steadfast faith
I bless you with the hopes and dreams
That your heart goes after
I bless you with amazing grace

I bless you with the heart of a warrior Grace to stand and fight I bless you with brothers Who will stand right by your side

I bless you with courage 'Til the battles have been won I bless you with the faith to hear your father Say well done well done

I bless you with joy and laughter
I bless you with a steadfast faith
I bless you with the hopes and dreams
That your heart goes after
I bless you with amazing grace

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark (9:38-50) **People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. John Adams

The Nicene Creed standing

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 IV

BCP 388

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world. (*Pause*) Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. (*Pause*) Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Reader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. (Pause)

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Reader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. (Pause)

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Reader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve

Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. (Pause) Lord, in your

mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Reader Comfort and heal Sue, Julia, Betty, Nathan, Linda, Betsy, Mary Ruth, Nancy,

Mark, Morgan, Jennifer, Frank, and Pat D, all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy

of your salvation. (*Pause*) Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Reader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be

fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal

kingdom. (*Pause*) Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

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

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.

Celebrant

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 Standing

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Peace may be exchanged through handshakes, hugs, fist bumps, waves, nods, or other such expressions; please be attentive to how much or little physical contact your neighbors would prefer. Once the Peace has been sufficiently exchanged, the people may sit for announcements.

Offertory Music

The Lord is My Shepherd

Keith and Melody Green

The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want, He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside the still waters, He restoreth my soul And guides my path in righteousness For His name's sake.

Surely goodness and loving kindness Shall follow me all the days of my life. And I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever and ever.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will not fear, Thou art with me.
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table
Before me in the presence of my enemies.
Thou anointest my head with oil,
My cup's overflowing.

Surely goodness and loving kindness Shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever and ever and ever.

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

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The Doxology:

v. 3, Hymn 380

All: 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.

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer B

Standing

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up our 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 It is right... to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Land of Rest

Holy holy, holy Lord, Blessed is he who comes in the name,

God of power and might, Comes in the name of the Lord,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

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Celebrant Standing or kneeling

We give thanks to you... do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice... all honor and glory is yours, 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)

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 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.

Breaking of Bread

Fraction Anthem Christ Our Passover

BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People therefore let us keep the feast. 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 chalicer 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 chalicer. Those who cannot or prefer not to come forward may inform an usher, and the Celebrant will come to you.

Communion Chant

Your promise gives me life

Psalm 119

Communion Music I Danced In the Morning (Lord of the Dance) By Sydney Bertram Carter

I danced in the morning
When the world was begun
And I danced in the moon
And the stars and the sun
And I came down from heaven
And I danced on the earth
At Bethlehem I had My birth

Dance then wherever you may be I am the Lord of the Dance said He And I'll lead you all Wherever you may be And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

I danced for the scribe
And the Pharisee
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow Me
I danced for the fishermen
For James and John
They came with Me
And the dance went on

Dance then wherever you may be I am the Lord of the Dance said He And I'll lead you all Wherever you may be And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

I danced on the Sabbath
And I cured the lame
The holy people said it was a shame
They whipped and they stripped
And they hung Me on high
And they left Me there
On a Cross to die

Dance then wherever you may be I am the Lord of the Dance said He And I'll lead you all Wherever you may be And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

I danced on a Friday
When the sky turned black
It's hard to dance
With the devil on your back
They buried My body
And they thought I'd gone
But I am the dance
And I still go on

Dance then wherever you may be I am the Lord of the Dance said He And I'll lead you all Wherever you may be And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

They cut Me down
And I leapt up high
I am the life
That'll never never die
I'll live in you
If you'll live in Me
I am the Lord
Of the Dance said He

Dance then wherever you may be I am the Lord of the Dance said He And I'll lead you all Wherever you may be And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

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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 Music

Shout to the Lord

by Darlene Zschech

My Jesus my Saviour Lord there is none like You All of my days I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

My comfort my shelter Tower of refuge and strength Let every breath all that I am Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name

I sing for joy At the work of Your hands Forever I'll love You Forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You My Jesus my Saviour Lord there is none like You All of my days I want to praise The wonders of Your mighty love

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Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

We give thanks for the beauty of the Altar flowers Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Charles W. Trent, III By Patty Ann Trent

We give thanks for the beauty of the Narthex flowers Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of David Cole on his birthday By Betsy Cole and Family

Pray today for the members of the Commission on Ministry and their chair, The Rev. Susan E. Bentley. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds, and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Blessing of the Animals - September 29

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, you are invited to bring your dogs, cats, and any other animals for a Blessing of the Animals on September 29 at 3:00 pm. In this short service, led by Fr. John and Vicar Andy Taminger of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, we thank God for the whole of creation and ask God's blessing on these animals we particularly love as part of our families. We will meet in the Gathering Place (the benches between the Parish House parking and Letcher Ct behind the church); in the event of rain, blessings will be offered in the Undercroft.

Monday Bible Study

The Monday night Bible study meets from 7:00 to 8:00 in the Parish House. On September 30, we will conclude the pivotal Ninth chapter of Luke, in which Jesus sets his face toward Jerusalem. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as you can; no preparation ahead of time is necessary.

Trivia Night October 2

On Wednesday, October 2, the Men's Club presents Trivia Night hosted by Fr. John. All are welcome, and no sign-up is required. The game entails dividing into teams of 4-6 people, writing down answers to trivia questions (on an American theme), and, for the winning team, receiving a prize to divide among themselves. Beer and wine will be available (\$5 donation encouraged) and a light snack will be provided (it is recommended that you eat dinner beforehand or bring it with you). We will begin gathering at 6:30 pm in the Undercroft (enter by the glass doors at the back of the church) with the game going from 7:00 to 8:30 or so.

Nursery - October 13

Our Nursery Attendant, Emily Williams, will be off on Sunday, October 13. Emily Hylton has volunteered to be in the nursery with James and any others. We need another volunteer please.

The Dan Prince and Gene Medley Oyster Roast 2024

<u>Take advantage of the NEW, easy online registration system.</u>

You can pay by cash, check, money order, or credit card

Mark your calendar for the **November 1**st Christ Church Oyster Roast. The night begins at **6:00 p.m.** with freshly steamed oysters directly from the eastern shore of VA! The fun continues with a delicious buffet dinner serving BBQ, Brunswick Stew, and all the fixings! The entire night is complemented by an open bar and fabulous live music! Remember the Silent Auction, Bake Sale, and 50/50 Raffle. This is one you do not want to miss!

Make a reservation on our Oyster Roast Sign-Up page or contact the Church office. Contact Person: Pat Russell at 864-430-4527; patbrussell@vahoo.com.

Ways to Volunteer - Oyster Roast 2024

There are many ways to assist in making the CEC Oyster Roast a success.

- Prepare Food for Meal
- Work a shift the night of the event
- Send items for Bake Sale
- Sell Raffle Tickets
- Monetary Donations
- Set Up/ Clean Up

Baked Goods Sale at the Oyster Roast

Sign up on the following link under volunteers <u>Christ Episcopal Church - Martinsville</u>, <u>Virginia (christchurchmvl.org)</u> to donate baked goods items for sale at the oyster roast on the church website.

Raffle Tickets ARE HERE!

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle are on sale from your Vestry members (Betty Budde, Bob Bushnell, Jay Dickens, Beverly Lyle, LaRue Powers, Pat Russell, Bob Weatherall, Andy Williams, and Will Zimmer) and the church office. The cost is \$10.00 per ticket or \$100.00 per book, with the maximum winnings of \$2,500.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for September: Mac n Cheese. For September: dish detergent, deodorant, laundry detergent, 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.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Bob Bushnell

Chalicers: Beverly Lyle, Tom Webster

Acoustic Music: Will Zimmer

Ushers: Gus Barber, John Swezey, Ben Lewis

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: LaRue Powers, Will Zimmer

Altar Guild: Team Four - Becky Farrar, Susan Smith, Natalie Coleman,

Ashley Ullstein, Dawn Stone, Kyle Trent Nursery Attendants: Emily Williams

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