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

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2024

10:30 A.M. Morning Prayer, 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 *Toccata on "O God Our Help in Ages Past"* Gordon Young

Introit *Remove from me their scorn* Psalm 119

Processional Hymn *"O God, our help in ages past"* Hymn 680

Officiant:

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19:14*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People together:

BCP 79

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 us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

Invitatory and Psalter *All stand*

BCP 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.***

Officiant

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Venite

Psalm 95:1-7

Hymnal S 35

Psalm 91:9-16 *Qui habitat* ***Spoken together***

- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
 and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
 neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
 to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
 you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
 therefore will I deliver him; *
 I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
 I am with him in trouble;
 I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
 and show him my salvation.

ALL: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
As I was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Reader ***A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah (53:4-12)***

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there

was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

The First Song of Isaiah
Isaiah 12:2-6

“Surely it is God who saves me”

Hymnal 679

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (5:1-10)

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Song of Simeon
Luke 2:29-32

“Lord God, you now have set your servant free”

Hymn 499

Officiant: A reading from the Gospel to Mark (10:35-45)

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Officiant The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth;
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
 our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of
 the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of
 the Father.

He will come again to judge the living
 and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Officiant Let us pray

Officiant and People

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.

Suffrage A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
 R. *And grant us your salvation.*
 V. Clothe your ministers with
 righteousness;
 R. *Let your people sing with joy.*
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
 R. *For only in you can we live in
 safety.*
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your
 care;
 R. *And guide us in the way of justice
 and truth.*

V. Let your way be known upon
 earth;
 R. *Your saving health among all
 nations.*
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be
 forgotten;
 R. *Not the hope of the poor be taken
 away.*
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
 R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations:
 Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere
 with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Offertory Anthem

"O Holy City, Seen of John"

arr. Richard Shephard

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.

Officiant I invite your prayers for *Sue, Julia, Betty, Nathan, Linda, Betsy, Mary Ruth, Nancy, Mark, Morgan, Jennifer, Frank, Pat D, and Dorothy*, and for all those in any need, sickness, or other adversity. *The people may offer their free intercessions, aloud or in the silence of their hearts.*

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 101

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you
humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-
kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation,
preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable
love
in the redemption of the world by our
Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope

of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an
awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may
show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our
days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages.
Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Recessional Hymn

"God himself is with us!"

Hymn 475

Dismissal

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21*

The Closing Voluntary

“Recessional on St. Anne”

Gordon Young

Please inform the Church office at office@christchurchmvl.org or call 276-632-2896 if anyone needs to be added or removed from the prayer list.

*The beauty of the Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of Clara Irene Ullstein*

By Peter and Ashley Ullstein and Family

*The beauty of the Narthex Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of Mimi H. Riggan*

By Lucy Hart Davis

Pray today for the Bishop's Visitation to St. Thomas, Christiansburg. Pray for the people of St. Thomas, Christiansburg and their rector, The Rev. Mark Frazier. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Vacation

Fr. John is on vacation this week; there will be no Sunday Bible Study on October 20, no Monday Bible Study on October 21, and no Wednesday Eucharist on October 23.

2025 Pledges

For our annual stewardship campaign, we are presently seeking your pledges of financial support for 2025. These pledges help us in prayerfully putting together our budget for next year, through which we both support the ministry of the church (as a community of people) and maintain the church (as a building). We will gratefully receive your pledges anytime, but hope to receive as many as possible **on or before November 10**. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail or need another one, they are available in the narthex racks.

Loaves & Fishes - October 30, 2024

Community members are invited to this free meal in our Undercroft from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Spread the Word!

We need volunteers to help prepare, serve, clean up, and to send desserts, fruit, and items listed below. Please sign up on the following link [Christ Episcopal Church - Martinsville, Virginia \(christchurchmvl.org\)](https://christchurchmvl.org) to help or to bring something. Donations may be brought to the Office or Undercroft in the days leading up to each meal. We are serving dine-in only, with leftovers distributed as takeout only at the end of the meal.

Since L&F will be the day before Halloween, candy has been added to the list of needed items.

Additional needed items include individually wrapped snacks, hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant), and household items (dish and laundry detergent - small bottles) to be handed out to the L&F attendees. Thank you for being so supportive! Andy & Tara Williams and the L&F Team.

The Dan Prince and Gene Medley Oyster Roast 2024
Take advantage of the NEW, easy online registration system.
You can pay by cash, check, money order, or credit card

Mark your calendar for the **November 1st** 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@yahoo.com.

The deadline to register to attend is Friday, October 25

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 [Christ Episcopal Church - Martinsville, Virginia \(christchurchmvl.org\)](http://ChristEpiscopalChurch-Martinsville.Virginia(christchurchmvl.org)) to donate baked goods items for sale at the oyster roast on the church website.

Raffle Tickets Are On Sale Now

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle are on sale from your Vestry members (Rives Coleman, Jay Dickens, Beverly Lyle, LaRue Powers, 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.

A Prayer for the Election

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* (from the *Book of Common Prayer*, page 822)

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Christ Church will take place after the 10:30 service on **November 10**. Lunch will be provided. In addition to discussing themes and ideas from the discernment process, the state of our buildings, and our current finances, we will elect four members to three-year terms on the Vestry. If you are interested in serving on Vestry, please talk to one of our outgoing members (Ben Beeler, Jay Dickens, Beverly Lyle, and Andy Williams).

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for October - December: Jiffy Cornbread Mix. For October: 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.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Officiant: Jay Dickens

Reader: Ann Gardner

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Cantor/Chorister: Raul West

Ushers: Pete Scouras, Dan Cahill

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: Pat Russell, Andy Williams

Altar Guild: Team Five - Lloyd Barber, Debbie Lewis, Jill Dickens,
Amy Joyce, Pat Russell

Nursery Attendant: 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