



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

All Saints Sunday

November 3, 2024

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

Please silence your electronic devices. The blue Hymnal 1982 contains the music and lyrics of hymns, and the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) contains the full text of prayers.

The Opening Voluntary

Toccata in G Minor

Johann Pachelbel

Processional Hymn *“For all the saints, who from all their labors rest”*

Hymn 287

Officiant: 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:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Reader A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon (3:1-9)

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Reader Here ends the reading.

Psalm 24 *Domini est terra*

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and /all that is /in it, *
the world and /all who dwell there/in.
- 2 For it is he who founded it u/pon the /seas *
and made it firm upon the /rivers of the /deep.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill /of the /Lord? *
and who can stand /in his holy /place?"
- 4 "Those who have clean hands /and a /pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor /sworn by what is a /fraud.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing /from the/ Lord *
and a just reward from the/ God of their sal/vation."
- 6 Such is the generation of /those who /seek him, *
of those who seek your face, /O God of /Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O ever/lasting /doors; *
and the King of /glory shall come /in.
- 8 "Who is this /King of /glory?" *
"The Lord, strong and mighty,
the /Lord, mighty in /battle."
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O ever/lasting /doors; *
and the King of /glory shall come /in.
- 10 "Who is he, this /King of /glory?" *
"The Lord of hosts,
he /is the King of /glory."



Reader A reading from Revelation to John (21:1-6a)

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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

Sequence Hymn *"I sing a song of the saints of God"* Hymn 293

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (11:32-44)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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.

A Litany of Healing

Standing or kneeling

Reader God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
People ***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Reader God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more
abundantly;
People ***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Reader God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;
People ***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Reader Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;
People ***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Reader Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled,
especially *Sue, Julia, Betty, Nathan, Linda, Betsy, Mary Ruth, Nancy,
Mark, Morgan, Jennifer, Frank, Pat D, and Lucia*; that they may be
made whole;

People ***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Reader Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious,
or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your
presence;

People ***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Reader Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to
soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

People ***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Reader Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering,
granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

People ***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Reader Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and
consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

People ***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Reader Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

People *Hear us, O Lord of life.*

Reader You are the Lord who does wonders:

People *You have declared your power among the peoples.*

Reader With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

People *And in your light we see light.*

Reader Hear us, O Lord of life:

People *Heal us, and make us whole.*

All may offer their prayers at this time, aloud or in the silence of their hearts, after which the Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

Celebrant Let us confess our need for God's healing grace.

Celebrant and people

Compassionate God, we confess our weaknesses in body, mind, and spirit, and our need for your strengthening touch. We confess that some of what ails us stems from our own fault, while some is beyond our control. We turn to you, source of life, and ask in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ for the gifts of true healing and life in you. Amen.

Celebrant May the God of love visit you in your times of trial and weakness, and raise you to newness of life, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Those desiring laying on of hands and anointing with oil for healing of themselves or others may come to the altar rail at this time, or those who cannot or prefer not to come forward may inform an usher, who will tell the Celebrant to come to you. Please whisper to the Celebrant your name or the name of the person for whom you are praying so he may pray for the appropriate people.

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. During the announcements, the Celebrant will invite those who are celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary this week (or whose recent birthday or anniversary has not yet been prayed for in church) to come forward so we may pray for them.

Offertory Anthem

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Dale Wood

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:

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. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hymnal S 138

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.**

Celebrant 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

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

"Lazarus, Come out!"

John 11, Psalm 130

Communion Music

"Give rest, O Christ, to your servants"

Hymn 355

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

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Hymn 618

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Closing Voluntary

Toccata in D

Johann Pachelbel

Discretionary Fund – Today is the 1st Sunday of the month and the loose offering is designated for the Rector's Discretionary Fund. All checks should include the notation, "For RDF".

*The beauty of the Altar Flowers are
Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of
Kit Swezey Gautsch and in Thanksgiving for John Swezey
By Marty Gardner*

Pray today for the new Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, The Very Rev. Sean Rowe who was installed yesterday, November 2nd. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds, and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Monday Bible Study

The Monday night Bible study meets from 7:00 to 8:00 in the Parish House. On **November 4**, we will continue in the twelfth chapter of Luke, as Jesus tells the parable of a rich fool and discourages his followers from worrying. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as you can; no preparation ahead of time is necessary.

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).

History Wednesday

On **Wednesday, November 6** at 10:30 am in the Undercroft, our study in Early Church History will consider the Mysterious Ways by which the Spirit grew the Church over its first three centuries. There's no assigned homework, but if you're interested in reflecting ahead of time, contact Fr. John for a handout with excerpts from the Acts of Thomas, the Acts of Paul and Thecla, and the Martyrdom of Perpetua. After class, our Noon Eucharist will celebrate the Feast of William Temple, who visited Christ Church in 1935.

Kings Grant Eucharist

Fr. John celebrates Eucharist in the chapel at Kings Grant at 1:30 pm on the first Thursday of each month. The next service will be **November 7**.

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).

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**, when we will offer a prayer of thanks during the service. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail or need another one, they are available in the narthex.

Grace Network

Our Grace Network Assignments for November through December: Jiffy Cornbread Mix. For November: bath soap, toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrush (individually wrapped), and hygiene items. *Grace has been experiencing a large increase in clients needing food, household, 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.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

*The Lord will rescue his servants
no one who takes refuge in him
will be condemned.*

Necrology for All Saints' Sunday
Sunday, November 3, 2024

The worship service today included a special time we remember the loved ones of our congregation who have passed away this year: Grant them eternal rest. Let light perpetually shine through them. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

November 1, 2023 - October 31, 2024

Dr. Albert Gaskins (Tay) Byrum, Jr.

Paul Huckfeldt

Sally Ford Jordan

Barbara O'Brien Holland

David Desales Cole

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Hank Long

Chalicer: Bob Bushnell, Natalie Coleman

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Chorister/Cantor: Raul West

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: Rives Coleman, John Swezey

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: Natalie Coleman, Ben Beeler

Altar Guild: Team #1 - Beth Sibbick, Stuart Webster, LaRue Powers,
Jane Thomasson, Beth Cahill, Dan Cahill, Bill Sibbick

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