



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 2, 2025

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 C

Johann Pachelbel

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

Hymn 287

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:

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 Prophet Daniel (7:1-3,15-18)

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Reader The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 149 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Hallelujah!
Sing to the Lord /a new /song; *
sing his praise in the congre/gation of the /faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice /in his /Maker; *
let the children of Zion be /joyful in their /King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name /in the /dance; *
let them sing praise to him /with timbrel and /harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes pleasure /in his /people *
and adorns the /poor with victo/ry.
- 5 Let the faithful re/joyce in /triumph; *
let them be /joyful on their /beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be /in their /throat *
and a /two-edged sword in their /hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance /on the /nations *
and /punishment on the /peoples;
- 8 To bind their /kings in /chains *
and their nobles/ with links of i/ron;
- 9 To inflict on them the judg/ment de/creed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people./
Hallelu/jah.



Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (1:11-23)

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, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and

revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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 Luke (6:20-31)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

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

The Sermon "What did my saints do?"

The Rev. John Adams

Ideas to ponder:

- Have you encountered situations in which the Golden Rule was inadequate or impossible?
- Who are your saints, your examples for how to love?

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

<i>Reader</i>	God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
<i>People</i>	<i>We praise you and thank you, O Lord.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;
<i>People</i>	<i>We praise you and thank you, O Lord.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;
<i>People</i>	<i>We praise you and thank you, O Lord.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;
<i>People</i>	<i>We praise you and thank you, O Lord.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, especially <i>Sue, Julia, Jennifer, Mallory, Hope, Doug, Kim, Leon, Randy, Ruby, Dorothy, Joe, and John</i> ; that they may be made whole;
<i>People</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord of life.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	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;
<i>People</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord of life.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;
<i>People</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord of life.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;
<i>People</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord of life.</i>
<i>Reader</i>	Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;
<i>People</i>	<i>Hear us, O Lord of life.</i>

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 *O Sweet and Blessed Country* Gustav Holst, arr. Harrison Oxley

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.

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)

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 *"They abide in me, and I in them"* John 6, Psalm 119

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 Elizabeth Camp Sojourner Smith
and in memory of her son, Charles Purnell Smith IV
by her daughters
Elizabeth Smith Robinson and Sallie Smith Sweeney
and their families

The beauty of the Narthex Flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Betsy
by Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas Bassett III

Pray today for the people of St. Luke's, Hot Springs and their rector, the Rev. Katherine Doyle. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Toby Howarth.

Monday Bible Study

Our Monday evening study meets in the Parish House from 7:00 to 8:00. On November 3, we will begin reading the Book of Ecclesiastes, a short wisdom text perhaps best known as the source of The Byrds song "Turn! Turn! Turn!". All are welcome and encouraged to join at any time; no reading ahead of time is necessary.

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 services will be **November 6** and December 4.

Church History Class

Our monthly Church History class will continue studying the Reformation on **November 12** at 10:30 in the Undercroft. This month, we will consider the reign of Queen Elizabeth and the Scottish Reformation. All are welcome to join at any time, and no homework is required.

Public Theology

Public Theology meets on **November 12** in the dining room of Forest Park Country Club (to the left after coming through the front clubhouse entrance at 1821 Mulberry Rd). We begin gathering around 6:00 pm; food (sandwiches, burgers, wings, etc.) and drinks (beer and wine) are available to purchase from the Clubhouse Grill. From 7:00 to 8:00 pm, we will discuss the concept of original sin and the different ways it has been interpreted historically.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Christ Church will take place after the 10:30 service on **November 16**. Lunch will be provided. In addition to discussing the campaign and the work that has been done on the church, the meetings the Vestry has had with Diocesan Canon for Evangelism Jenni Faires, and current state of the finances, we will elect four members to three-year terms on the Vestry.

2026 Pledges

For our annual stewardship campaign, we are presently seeking your pledges of financial support for 2026. 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 16**, 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 and the Church office.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for November thru

December: Oatmeal canister or instant packets. For November: bath soap, toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrushes (individually wrapped), and other hygiene items. As a Church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network by 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 2, 2025

On this All Saints' Sunday, we particularly remember the loved ones of our congregation who have passed away this year (November 1, 2024 - October 31, 2025): 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.

Patty Ann Trent
Linda Walls Isley
Nathaniel Toms
Walter Lee Penn, III
Abby Seals
Betty Ion Budde
Elizabeth Camp Sojourner Smith

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Pete Scouras

Chalicer: Steve Keyser, Nancy Spilman

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Chorister/Cantor: Raul West

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: John Swezey, Ben Lewis

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: Will Zimmer, Steve Keyser

Altar Guild: Team #3 - Page Beeler, Karen Jones, Nancy Spilman, Ellen Maxwell, Ben Beeler

Nursery Attendant: Caroline Davis

2025 Christ Church Vestry

Year 3: Natalie Coleman; Secretary, Pat Russell. Will Zimmer

Year 2: Bob Bushnell, Rives Coleman; Senior Warden, LaRue Powers,
Bob Weatherall, Junior Warden

Year 1: Susan Critz, Butch Hamlet; Treasurer, Michael Hodges, Steve Keyser