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All Saints Sunday W/Baptism
November 1, 2026
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	<i>Toccata in C</i>	Johann Pachelbel
Introit	<i>Lazurus, come forth</i>	John 11, Psalm 130
Processional Hymn	<i>"For all the saints, who from all their labors rest"</i>	Hymn 287

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

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People *One God and Father of all.*

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 Revelation to John (7:9-17)

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,

"Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

Psalm 34:1-10,22 *Benedicam Dominum*

- 1 I will bless the Lord /at all /times; *
 his praise shall ever /be in my /mouth.
- 2 I will glory /in the /Lord; *
 let the humble /hear and re/joyce.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness /of the /Lord; *
 let us exalt his/ Name toge/ther.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he /answered/ me *
 and delivered me /out of all my/ terror.
- 5 Look upon him /and be/ radiant, *
 and let not your /faces be a/shamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the/ Lord heard /me *
 and saved /me from all my /troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those/ who fear /him, *
 and he/ will deliver /them.
- 8 Taste and see that the /Lord is /good; *
 happy are /they who trust in/ him!
- 9 Fear the Lord, you that /are his/ saints, *
 for those /who fear him lack /nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and /suffer/ hunger, *
 but those who seek the Lord lack/ nothing that is/ good.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the life/ of his/ servants, *
 and none will be punished /who trust in/ him.



Reader A reading from the First Letter of John (3:1-3)

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (5:1-12)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

"Saints go marching in"

The Rev. John Adams

Ideas to ponder:

- What does marching make you think of?
- How might you want to march with the saints?

Baptism Hymn

"O When the Saints Go Marching In"

O when the saints go marching in,
O when the saints go marching in,
O Lord I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.

O when they crown Him Lord of all,
O when they crown Him Lord of all,
O Lord I want to be in that number
when they crown Him Lord of all.

O when the sun refused to shine,
O when the sun refused to shine,
O Lord I want to be in that number
when the sun refused to shine.

O when the saints go marching in,
O when the saints go marching in,
O Lord I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Baptism

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents *I present Khycir King Lyle to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with the person who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People 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.*

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Let us now pray for *Khycir* who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Reader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Open his heart to your grace and truth.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for them to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism and Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Khycir Lyle, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

After the Baptism

Khycir Lyle, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

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 Anthem

Jubilate

Michael Bedford

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 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)

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

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

"Rejoice and be exceedingly glad"

Matthew 25, Psalm 45

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

Baptism

Today, we welcome into the body of Christ Khycir King Lyle, son of Beverly and George Lyle. Abbie and Warner McGhee and Lisa and Cecil France sponsor him.

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".

Please pray for Sue, Julia, Mallory, Ginger C., Ashley F., Michael, Jim A., Valerie B., LaRue, Jean, Dorothy, Nancy, and Honore.

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

We give thanks for the beauty of the Baptismal Font Ring
Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for Khycir King Lyle
Son of Beverly and George Lyle

We give thanks for the beauty of the Narthex flowers
Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for the
Godparents of Khycir Lyle
Lisa and Cecil France and Abbie and Warner McGhee
By Beverly and George Lyle

Pray today for the Bishop's Visitation to Christ Church, Roanoke. Pray today for the people of Christ Church, Roanoke and their rector, the Rev. Alexander MacPhail. 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 study of the Revelation to John of Patmos continues on **November 2 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the Parish House**. This week we will the visions of the woman and the dragon in Chapter 12. No reading in advance is required, and all are welcome at any time.

Winter Clothes Needed for Henry County Public School Students

Henry County Public Schools is collecting any new or gently used clothing items such as coats, hoodies, long sleeve shirts, etc.) that can benefit their students (high school, middle school, and elementary school. **If you would love to donate coats or clothing items or make a donation to purchase clothing items for this cause, please contact Mr. Garrett Dillard at gdillard@henry.k12.va.us or 336-253-0663.**

Baked Goods Needed for Sale at the Oyster Roast

Sign up on the Church's website under 'volunteers' to donate baked goods, casseroles, soups, sauces, breads, etc. for SALE at the oyster roast.

Brownies, bars, and cookies need to be individually packaged in servings of six (6). Generous portions are appreciated (2x2). If your item(s) have nuts, please specify that on the packaging.

Drop-off is Thursday and Friday, November 5 and 6, at the Parish House between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Spilman, Susan Smith, Debbie Lewis, or Rita Hodges. *Thank you for participating in making the 2026 Oyster Roast a huge success.*

We Need Silent Auction Items

The 2026 Dan Prince and Gene Medley Memorial Oyster Roast committee **needs items for the silent auction**. Interesting, unique, amazing, and appealing out-of-the-box items. We love new furniture, parties, house rentals, jewelry, gift certificates, and more. **More of those items would be great.**

Your help with making this year's silent auction a huge success will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the Auction Chairs, Nancy Spilman, Susan Smith, Debbie Lewis, or Rita Hodges if you have any questions or suggestions. **ALL silent auction items need to be received at the Parish House by Tuesday, November 3.**

Lanterns, Pop-Up Tents, and Outdoor Heaters are Needed for the Oyster Roast

The Oyster Roast is fast approaching. The event will be held on Friday, November 6th. Every year, we are in need of numerous outdoor battery lanterns (for camping or decoration), pop-up tents, and outdoor heaters. If you have any of these items that we can borrow, please let me know as soon as possible. You can drop off your lanterns at the church office. Make sure to mark your name on the lanterns so we can return them to you.

Kings Grant Eucharist

Fr. John celebrates Eucharist in the chapel at Kings Grant at 1:30 pm on the second Tuesday of the month. The next services will be **November 10** and December 8.

Church History Class

On **November 11 at 10:30 am in the Undercroft**, we will begin another exploration of the History of the Medieval Church, this time through the lens of the Holy Roman Empire beginning with Charlemagne. All are welcome to join (and encouraged to stick around for the Noon Eucharist in the Chapel).

Public Theology

Public Theology meets on **November 11 at the Ground Floor** (1 E Church St); food and drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be available from the usual menu. We begin gathering at 6:00 pm, with the program going from 7:00 to 8:00.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Christ Church will take place **after the 10:30 service on November 15, with lunch provided**. In addition to discussing our ongoing efforts to improve the grounds and offer more fellowship opportunities, we will consider the current state of the finances and elect four members to three-year terms on the Vestry.

Altar Guild Open Date

The **First Sunday of Advent, Sunday, November 29** is open for altar flowers if anyone wants to do a memorial in loving memory of... in honor of... or in thanksgiving for... someone. You can do this one time or continue it from year-to-year. **It is a first come first served basis.** It will be red flowers and greenery with Hypericum red berries for Advent.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for **November thru December: Saltine Crackers (box)**. 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 1, 2026

On this All Saints' Sunday, we particularly remember the loved ones of our congregation who have passed away this year (November 1, 2025 - October 31, 2026): Grant him 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.

Randy March

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Will Zimmer

Chalicer: Rives Coleman, Dawn Stone

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Chorister/Cantor: Raul West

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: Ben Beeler, Gus Barber

Camera Operator: Vicki Crosby

Counters: Steve Keyser, Jay Dickens

Altar Guild: Team #5 - Lloyd Barber, Debbie Lewis, Jill Dickens, Amy Joyce, Pat Russell, Vicki Crosby

Nursery Attendant: Caroline Davis

2026 Christ Church Vestry

Year 3: Bob Bushnell, Rives Coleman; Senior Warden, LaRue Powers,
Bob Weatherall, Junior Warden

Year 2: Susan Critz, Butch Hamlet; Treasurer, Michael Hodges; Secretary, Steve Keyser

Year 1: Kelly Cain, Jay Dickens, Linda O'Dell, Ron Probst