

Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.
Amen.

The First Lesson *Seated*

Numbers 6:22-27

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8 *Said responsively by whole verse*

BCP 592

- ¹ O LORD our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- ² **Out of the mouths of infants and children
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.**
- ³ You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- ⁴ **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**
- ⁵ What is man that you should be mindful of him?
 the son of man that you should seek him out?
- ⁶ **You have made him but little lower than the angels;
 you adorn him with glory and honor;**
- ⁷ You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
 you put all things under his feet:
- ⁸ **All sheep and oxen,
 even the wild beasts of the field,**
- ⁹ The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- ¹⁰ **O LORD our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

The Second Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
 who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn Love Came Down at Christmas **H 84**

The Holy Gospel *Standing* **Luke 2:15-21**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon *Seated* The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey

The Nicene Creed *Standing* **BCP 358**

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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],
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 I *Standing*

BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially ... let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin *Kneeling*

BCP 360

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

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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of Christ.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Music at the Offertory The Old Year Hath Passed Away J.S. Bach

A Hymn of Thanksgiving H 380

**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.**

Eucharistic Prayer A 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.** H S 129

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

H S 135

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit 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

BCP 364

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God

H S163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

*All persons baptized in any denomination are invited to receive Holy Communion.
Our clergy and Eucharistic Ministers will provide you with instructions if you need them.***Communion Hymns**

The First Nowell

H 109

Angels, From the Realms of Glory

H 93**Sending Forth the Lay Eucharistic Visitor**Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,
that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's
body and blood.People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one
cup.****Post Communion Prayer** *Standing or kneeling***BCP 366**

Celebrant Let us pray

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the
most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us
in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of
your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to
love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the
Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.****The Blessing****Closing Hymn**

As With Gladness Men of Old

H 119**The Dismissal**All respond **Thanks be to God.****Organ Postlude***Variation on an Medieval Carol*

Robert Hebble

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for my mother, Gretchen Broderick
and in thanksgiving for Rick & Linda Mitchell by Taylor and Daniel Hale.*

Ministers in the Service

Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey
Celebrant	The Very Rev. Becca Kello
Deacon	The Ven. Kellie Mysinger
Deacon	The Rev. Dr. Ken Casey
Lector	Leigh Harper, Bill Collins, Miliska Knauft
Intercessor	Larry McCraney
Altar Party	Benjamin Chaffin, Carol Dubose, David Kem
Organist/Choir Director	C. Kenneth Stein
Audio/Visual Team	Linda & Rick Mitchell

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, January 1

New Year's Day

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I In-person and live-streamed

9:00 AM Conversations with Scripture – All Saint's Room

9:00 AM Brotherhood Breakfast – Moore Hall

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II In-person and live-streamed

11:00 AM Youth Sunday School – Youth Sunday School Room

12:00 PM Weekly submission deadline for *The Lancet*, and the Sunday bulletin

Monday, January 2

Church office is closed

9:00 AM Education for Ministry – EfM Room

5:30 PM Education for Ministry – EfM Room

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous – Moore Hall

Tuesday, January 3

11:00 AM De-Greening the Church

12:00 PM Centering Prayer

4:00 PM Yoga – Moore Hall

Wednesday, January 4

7:00 AM Morning Prayer – Conference Room

12:00 PM Healing Eucharist - Nave

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous – Moore Hall

Thursday, January 5

Friday, January 6

Church office is closed

6:00 PM Epiphany Service - Nave

6:45 PM Epiphany Party – Moore Hall

Saturday, January 7

8:00 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew – Conference Room

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous – Moore Hall

*Streamed services can be found at [facebook.com/cecbg](https://www.facebook.com/cecbg) or <https://www.youtube.com/c/CECBG>
TO VIEW THE ENTIRE CHURCH CALENDAR, please access our website, [cecbg.com](https://www.cecbg.com).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

1/1 Olivia Jefferson
1/1 Belinda Palmer
1/2 Ken Dyrsen
1/2 Judy Reimer

1/2 Carroll Travelsted
1/3 David McKillip
1/4 Mark Eastin
1/4 Braxton Talley

1/6 Myers Caudill
1/6 Jim Dale
1/7 John Carter
1/7 Betty Young

Worship

LIVESTREAM WORSHIP will continue at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings on Facebook and YouTube.

Learn and Grow

CONVERSATIONS WITH SCRIPTURE is an ongoing dialogue (AKA Sunday School Class) focused on learning to interpret scripture and apply it to life, in the hope that together we can grow closer to what God calls us to be. Currently, the focus is on the Catechism. Facilitating discussion is David Kem. We meet in the All-Saints room. All are welcome to come and talk, or maybe just listen in.

BREAD OF ANGELS is a group of about two dozen adults of all ages who gather at 9:00 on Sunday Morning to explore what it means to be a Christian in the world in which we find ourselves. Beginning January 8th, we will be reading Phyllis Tickle, *The Great Emergence, How Christianity is Changing and Why*. Beginning a new book is the perfect time to join this casual and friendly group. The only requirement is an inquisitive mind and a willingness to share ideas. For more information, please contact Mike Harper (mike@mike-harper.com) or 270-996-4380.

HOLY LAND 2023 After many delays and changes in plans, we are excited to announce the dates for our trip to the Holy Land. Join Father Steve and Mother Becca as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus and the Apostles October 17-25, 2023. To learn more or to register for the trip, go to portal.myfaithjourneys.com and click to enter the group code 23005.

CENTERING PRAYER is Tuesdays at 12:00 PM. We are meeting in the Chapel. Anyone who is interested is welcome. Any questions, please contact Kathy Wise-Leonard at 270-779-5595 or email billkathyleonard@bellsouth.net or Janice Erbach at 270-904-1164 or email kassta@jadegrel.net.

Radiate

CHURCHES UNITED IN CHRIST HELP MINISTRY is one of the oldest outreach ministries of Christ Church. In partnership with the three other downtown Christian churches, we attempt to assist families with their utility bill, emergency prescriptions, gasoline for an out

of town doctor appointment, etc. For the past several months, the NEED has far exceeded our resources to help. In order to effectively sustain this ministry, we need for members to step up with a pledge of \$10 or more per week. The Help Ministry at Christ Church currently distributes well over \$1,000 per month to those in need using a voucher system. We only help an individual once every 12 months. Won't you please include a gift to the Help Ministry in your gifts to Christ Church! God Bless!

Mary, Mary, Karen, Margie, Susan, and Elaine, Your HELP MINISTRY TEAM

WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY LUNCH has started serving sack lunches. We are in need of monetary donations to further our program. Your donations are appreciated and can be put in the offering plate with a designation to WCL or may be made online at <https://www.cecbg.com/secure-giving>. We are also encouraging folks to join our team of volunteers to assemble and serve! Contact Mary Cash (marygcash@gmail.com), Janice Erbach (kassta@jadegrel.net), or Margie Dotson (madebg@bellsouth.net) for more information.

ONLINE GIVING Make a secure contribution online to the current year operating fund and/or other funds. You can make your donations through the church website.

General Announcements

VESTRY NOMINATIONS SOUGHT The Nominating Committee of the Vestry is now taking names for the Class of 2025. If you are interested in serving, or would like to nominate someone, please contact Shanna Paul, Belinda Palmer, Linda Mitchell, or Troy Puckett no later than January 8th.

Parish Prayer List

Parishioners of Christ Church

Ruth Anne Bell	Susan Gaines	Paula Morgan
Trish Beresford	Dean Gilbert	Gretchen Niva
Jimmy Bohannon	Bill Gilliam	Elaine Price
Aldis Brunson	Bob Harrison	Karen Robeson
Vickie Cole	Nick Heil	Anna Siewers
Dolores Dodd	*Nancy Huston	Josh Stiles
Pete Dotson	Barbara Keith	Carroll Travelsted

Parishioners of Christ Church teaching overseas

Boo Petersen, South Africa	Galen Olmsted, Venezuela
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In Remembrance

*Roy Johnson, Jr., <i>uncle of Vonda Garringer</i>	Linda Surface
*Jacob Brumbaugh, <i>nephew of Vonda Garringer</i>	Alice Dearing, <i>aunt of Jim Dale</i>
Bill Gamblin, <i>brother-in-law of Linda Mitchell</i>	Darla Angelback, <i>requested by Terry & Miliska Knauff</i>
Donna Pankey, <i>aunt of Steve Pankey</i>	Pat Frederick

Parishioners of Christ Church in discernment for ordained ministry

The Rev. Ken Casey, *deacon at Christ Church*

In Thanksgiving

For our Cloister Community

Military serving overseas known by Christ Church parishioners

Family of Christ Church parishioners

Josina Cavallo, *sister of Barbara Powell*

Angelina Cavallo-Sanchez, *niece of Bruce and
Barbara Powell*

Nevada Cavallo-Sanchez, *niece of Bruce and
Barbara Powell*

Ronnie Corn, *brother of Vonda Garringer*

Bill Gamblin, *brother-in-law of Linda Mitchell*

Aggie Hudson, *mother of Vonda Garringer*

Vickie Perkins, *mother of Ashley Tabor*

Chloe Poe, *mother of Retta Poe*

Mickey Sieber, *grandson of Rick & Linda Mitchell*

Debbie Wurth Stiles, *aunt of Josh Stiles*

Mary Anne Wehrum, *mother of Laura Cobron*

Addie Zaker, *niece of Jan Campbell*

Others known by Christ Church parishioners

Ashley, *requested by Vonda Garringer*

Marilyn Carney, *requested by Sally Heil*

Keith Casada, *requested by Laurie Joyce*

Jamie Crawford, *requestd by Karen Crabtree*

Earl Denney *requested by Bonnie Schlicht*

Jason Frakes, *requested by Ann Esterle*

Tandy Simpson Hubbard, *requested by Crystal*

Stiles J.J., *requested by Leigh Harper*

Judah Kardisco

Kevin Karl, *requested by Paul & Betty Young*

John Kasey, *requested by Gretchen Broderick*

Bob Monteiro, *requested by Terry & Miliska*

Knauff Judy Newton, *requested by Andrea Petty*

Sister Lucia Quesada, *requested by Terry & Miliska
Knauff*

Brian & Devon Rodgers, *requested by Taylor Hale*

Susan Rogers, *requested by George Anna McKenzie*

Walt Wells, *requested by John Carter*

Braydon Windham, *requested by Lynn Windham*

**indicates new*

Christ Episcopal Church Vestry Members

Class of 2023

Linda Mitchell

Belinda Palmer

Shanna Paul

Troy Puckett

Class of 2024

Mike Harper

Paula Maier

Peggy McKillip

Scarlett Winters

Class of 2025

John Carter

Jim Dale

David Lee

Brenda Willoughby

Clergy & Staff

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Church Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM | Thursday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM |
Closed Friday



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