

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *Seated*

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
 he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
 or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
 and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
 until he has established justice in the earth;
 and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,
 who created the heavens and stretched them out,
 who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
 I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
 a light to the nations,
 to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
 from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the LORD, that is my name;
 my glory I give to no other,
 nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
 and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
 I tell you of them.

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

Psalm 29 *Said responsively by whole verse*

BCP 620

- ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**
- ³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- ⁴ **The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶ **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸ **The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare.**
- ⁹ And in the temple of the LORD
all are crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ **The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- ¹¹ The LORD shall give strength to his people;
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Second Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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

Sequence Hymn Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized **H 121**

The Holy Gospel *Standing* **Matthew 3:13-17**

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

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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 seasonable 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

**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 S129

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God: 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 Maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 S135

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 our Savior Jesus Christ. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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

When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known

H 132

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

H 449

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

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

H 135

The Dismissal

All respond **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Postlude

Allegro Maestoso (Water Music)

G.F. Händel

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of our parents, William and Mary Nogay, Evelyn Walker and David Walker, and in gratitude for our grandchildren, Everett, Daniel, Ethan, Petra, and Gaia by Dorian and Elaine Walker.

Ministers in the Service

Preacher/Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Steve Pankey
Deacon	The Ven. Kellie Mysinger
Lectors	Mike Harper, Portia Wimp, Taylor Borderick Hale
Intercessor	Taylor Borderick Hale
Altar Party	Will Derryberry, Larry McCraney, Hamp Moore
Organist/Choir Director	C. Kenneth Stein
Audio/Visual Team	Rick Mitchell, Judy Reimer

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, January 8

New Year's Day

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

9:00 AM Bread of Angels – Conference Room

9:00 AM Children's Activity Hour

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

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

11:00 AM Godly Play Sunday School

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

11:30 AM Daughters of the King Meeting – Cates Lounge

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

Monday, January 9

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 10

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Churches United in Christ HELP Ministry

12:00 PM Centering Prayer

4:00 PM Yoga – Moore Hall

Wednesday, January 11

7:00 AM Morning Prayer – Conference Room

11:00 AM Wednesday Community Lunch

12:00 PM Healing Eucharist - Nave

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

Thursday, January 12

Friday, January 13

Church office is closed

Saturday, January 14

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

1/11 Ray Buckberry

1/11 Becca Kello

1/12 Neill Caudill

1/11 Shane Ellison

1/12 Steve Pankey

1/13 Julia Kennedy

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.cccb.org/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

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

Parishioners of Christ Church teaching overseas

Boo Petersen, South Africa Galen Olmsted, Venezuela

In Remembrance

*Ruth Anne Bell	Donna Pankey, <i>aunt of Steve Pankey</i>
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 Knauft</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*
*Sharon Johnson, *aunt of Vonda Garringer*

Vickie Perkins, *mother of Ashley Tabor*
Chloe Poe, *mother of Retta Poe*
*Todd Niva, *son of George & Gretchen Niva*
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*
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 Knauft*
Judy Newton, *requested by Andrea Petty*
Sister Lucia Quesada, *requested by Terry & Miliska
Knauft*
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

Doodle Page



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