ANCIENT FAITH

Present Purpose



CHRIST CHURCH VERO BEACH

The Holy Eucharist

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

NOVEMBER 29, 2026 | 10:30 AM

WE'RE SO HAPPY YOU'RE HERE!

If you're visiting for the first time, please take a moment to fill out a Connect Card from the chair in front of you and place it in the offering plate or return it to an usher. We would love to stay connected and pray for you.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Nursery care is provided for infants through age 4 during the 10:30 AM service. There is a kid's Gospel segment during the sermon for children up to 5th grade. They return after the prayers for communion.

A quiet room is on the right-hand side of the main doors to the Nave should you need to step out for any reason.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcome to the Table of Christ to receive Holy Communion. Ushers will guide your row to the altar rail, and a wafer will be placed in your hand; you may intinct (dip) the edge of the wafer into the wine chalice, or sip from the common cup, or abstain. Anyone wishing to not receive the sacrament is welcome to come forward for a spoken blessing only, signified by crossing your arms over your chest. Private prayer teams are available during communion.

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

667 20th St
Vero Beach, FL 32960

Info@christchurchvero.org

772-646-0920

Office Hours:
M-Th 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Closed Friday

Rev'd Cn. Dr. Keith Allen, Rector – kallen@christchurchvero.org
Rev'd Kim Allen, Deacon – deaconKim@christchurchvero.org
Rev'd Debra Gordon, Deacon – dgordon@christchurchvero.org
Eleanor Dixon, Parish Administrator – edixon@christchurchvero.org
Fawn Peters, Ministry Coordinator – fpeters@christchurchvero.org
Shari von Liebler, Parish Secretary – svliebler@christchurchvero.org
Amber Mullins, Head of School – amullins@ccavero.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT AND FAMILY BIBLE STUDIES

Sundays | 9:00 AM

MORNING PRAYER

Monday - Wednesday
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

CCA CHAPEL

Thursdays | 8:45 AM

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

Grades 6th – 12th
Wednesdays 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Grades 3rd – 5th
Thursdays 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

MILITARY MOMS PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

AN ADVENT DAY OF QUIET

Saturday, December 5th
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Bring your Bible and your journal and stay as little or as long as you like.

MEALS FROM THE HEART

Our next meal prep day is this **Saturday, December 5th at 9:00 AM** in the cafe**.** Contact Amber Mullins at **amullins@ccavero.org** for more information.

FAMILY DAY: CHRISMONS TO CELEBRATE THE COMING KING

Next Sunday, December 6th
Join us to create beautiful Christmas tree ornaments that symbolize the names and life of Christ. We'll also have lunch and enjoy spending time with our Christ Church and CCA families.

CCA'S PPA MEETING

Monday, December 7th | 4:00 PM
Help support our students, teachers, and school community by joining The Parents & Parish Association (PPA). Parents, grandparents, and parish members are welcome.

STAY UP TO DATE ON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS


ONLINE
SEE ALL EVENTS


CC APP
DOWNLOAD


TEXT
OPT-IN HERE

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The liturgy provided here is from the ACNA Book of Common Prayer 2019.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (verse 1)

CCLI Song # 31999 Charles Wesley | Rowland Hugh Prichard © Words: Public Domain; Music: Public Domain For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

The Kehrer Family

THE ACCLAMATION

All standing

Celebrant Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People **Amen. Come Lord Jesus!**

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE

The celebrant and the people pray

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

SONG OF PRAISE

O Come O Come Emmanuel (1-2)

CCLI Song # 31982 John Mason Neale | Thomas Helmore © Words: Public Domain; Music: Public Domain For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

People **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

A Reading from ISAIAH 64:1-9a — Pew Bible Pg 623

1 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the
mountains might quake at your presence— 2 as when fire kindles
brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name
known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at
your presence! 3 When you did awesome things that we did not look
for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. 4 From
of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God
besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. 5 You meet him who
joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways.
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a
long time, and shall we be saved? 6 We have all become like one who
is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We
all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
7 There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to
take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have
made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. 8 But now, O LORD, you are
our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work
of your hand. 9 Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not
iniquity forever.

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A Responsive Reading of PSALM 80:1-7 — BCP Pg 374

said responsively by whole verse

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that lead Joseph like a sheep; show
yourself also, you that sit upon the cherubim.

**2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength
and come to help us.**

[3] Restore us again, O God; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.

[4] O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people that pray?

[5] You feed them with the bread of tears and give them plenteous tears to drink.

[6] You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

[7] Restore us again, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.

A Reading from 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9 (ESV) ***Pew Bible Pg 952***

[1] Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, [2] To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: [3] Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. [4] I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, [5] that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— [6] even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— [7] so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, [8] who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. [9] God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Sung by all, standing

Here I Am to Worship

CCLI Song # 3266032 Tim Hughes © 2000 Thankyou Music Ltd For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/RZeJTtUrhwA?si=jYbmBzuPYlYgykh3

THE GOSPEL

A Reading from MARK 13:24-37 (ESV) Pew Bible Pg 850

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and
the moon will not give its light, 25 and the stars will be falling from
heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. 26 And then they
will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.
27 And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four
winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. 28 "From the fig
tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out
its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these
things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly, I
say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take
place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass
away. 32 "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even
the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Be on guard,
keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is like a
man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in
charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay
awake. 35 Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of
the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster
crows, or in the morning—36 lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.
37 And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

After the Gospel is read, the people respond as follows:

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN RESUMES

Here I Am to Worship

CCLI Song # 3266032 Tim Hughes © 2000 Thankyou Music Ltd For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/RZeJTtUrhwA?si=jYbmBzuPYlYgykh3

SERMON FR. KEITH ALLEN

NOTES

NOTES

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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, 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying "hear our prayer" following each petition read aloud.

Litanist Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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.

The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution over the People

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PEACE

The Peace is now exchanged with one another, having received peace with God.

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to page 3 of your bulletin.

OFFERTORY

Cornerstone

CCLI Song # 6158927 Edward Mote | Eric Liljero | Jonas Myrin | Reuben Morgan | William Batchelder Bradbury © 2011 Hillsong MP Songs; Hillsong Music Publishing Australia; Hillsong Music Publishing UK For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/ZvotrMIdTQw?si=GDJ5RhMOA8gshl0d

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. Amen.

Doxology **(Old Hundredth)**

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord,

People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Remain standing

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

Celebrant and People sing

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might, (repeat)
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. (repeat)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. (repeat)

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that

we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you:

Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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 FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

said responsively

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

God With Us

CCLI Song # 6460237 Jason Ingram | Leslie Jordan © 2012 Open Hands Music; So Essential Tunes; Integrity's Praise Music; Little Way Creative For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/udJjT-LMnIs?si=LWdc4CJ1eYqudWb5

Mighty to Save

CCLI Song # 4591782 Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan © 2006 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/iCZ3Kcl4uEQ?si=KnMMtsmb7f9CvZ62

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, 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 your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less (The Solid Rock)

CCLI Song # 25417 Edward Mote | William Batchelder Bradbury © Words: Public Domain; Music: Public Domain For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License # 3001024 https://youtu.be/uhVwVHC6_n0?si=UObvaDLyhhVzBhjS

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God.**

NOTES

NOTES

NOTES

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Here are ways to stay connected:

Church Website
www.ChristChurchVero.org

Fill Out a Connect Card

The COMMUNICATOR
Subscribe to our Newsletter

Follow Us on Facebook


CHRIST CHURCH
VERO BEACH