



# CHRIST CHURCH

10:30 A.M.

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*The Seventeenth Sunday*

*after Pentecost*

*September 15, 2024*

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A Faith Community rooted in Scripture, Sacraments, and the Holy Spirit

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**Voluntary**

*Great is thy faithfulness*

John A. Behnke

## Processional Hymn

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (*Refrain*)

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)

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## Opening Acclamation

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

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

## Collect of Purity (*said by all*)

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. (*Matthew 22:37-40*)

## *Kyrie eleison*

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

## **Song of Praise**

Glory to God! 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: 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.

setting: Betty Pulkingham

## **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* ***And with your spirit.***  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading**

**Isaiah 50:4-9**

4 The Lord God has given me  
the tongue of those who are taught,  
that I may know how to sustain with a word  
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;  
he awakens my ear  
to hear as those who are taught.

5 The Lord God has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I turned not backward.

6 I gave my back to those who strike,  
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;  
I hid not my face  
from disgrace and spitting.

7 But the Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like a flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

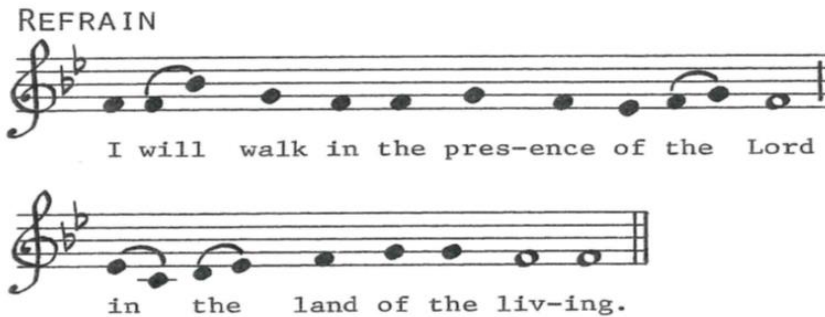
8 He who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.  
9 Behold, the Lord God helps me;  
    who will declare me guilty?  
Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment;  
    the moth will eat them up. (ESV)

*Reader*       The Word of the Lord.

*People*       *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 116** (*Congregational sings refrain*)



1 I love the Lord, \*  
    because he heard the voice of my prayer,  
2 Because he inclined his ear to me; \*  
therefore will I call upon him as long as I live. (*Refrain*)

3 The snares of death encompassed me, and the pains  
    of the Grave laid hold of me; \*  
    I suffered trouble and sorrow.

4 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: \*  
“O Lord, I beseech you, deliver my soul.” (*Refrain*)

5 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; \*  
indeed, our God is full of compassion.

6 The Lord preserves the simple; \*  
I was in misery, and he helped me. (*Refrain*)

7 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, \*  
for the Lord has rewarded you.

8 You have delivered my soul from death, \*  
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. (*Refrain*) (ESV)

## Epistle

## Ephesians 5:22-6:9

**22.** Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. **23.** For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. **24.** Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

**25.** Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, **26.** that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, **27.** so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. **28.** In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. **29.** For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, **30.** because we are members of his body. **31.** “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” **32.** This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to

Christ and the church. **33.** However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**6:1.** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. **2.** “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), **3.** “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” **4.** Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

**5.** Bondservants, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, with a sincere heart, as you would Christ, **6.** not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, **7.** rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, **8.** knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a bondservant or is free. **9.** Masters, do the same to them, and stop your threatening, knowing that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no partiality with him. (ESV)

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            ***Thanks be to God.***

**Sequence Hymn** (*sung by all, standing*)

1. O give us homes built firm upon the Savior,  
where Christ is Head and Counselor and Guide;  
where every child is taught His love and favor

and gives his heart to Christ the Crucified:  
How sweet to know that though his footsteps waver,  
His faithful Lord is walking by his side!

2. O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers,  
who always place their hope and trust in Him;  
whose tender patience turmoil never bothers,  
whose calm and courage trouble cannot dim;  
a home where each finds joy in serving others,  
and love still shines, though days be dark and grim.
3. O give us homes where Christ is Lord and Master,  
the Bible read, the precious hymns still sung;  
where prayer comes first in peace or in disaster,  
and praise is nat'ral speech to every tongue;  
where mountains move before a faith that's vaster,  
and Christ sufficient is for old and young.

## Holy Gospel

**Mark 9:14-29**

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

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

**14.** And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. **15.** And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. **16.** And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” **17.** And someone from the crowd answered him,



“Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. **18.** And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” **19.** And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” **20.** And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. **21.** And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. **22.** And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” **23.** And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.” **24.** Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” **25.** And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” **26.** And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” **27.** But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. **28.** And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” **29.** And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.” (ESV)

*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*

4. O Lord our God, our homes are Thine forever!  
We trust to Thee their problems, toil, and care;  
their bonds of love no enemy can sever  
if Thou art always Lord and Master there;  
be Thou the center of our least endeavor-  
be Thou our guest, our hearts and homes to share.

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**Sermon**

**Fr. Keith Allen**

**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

*Following each petition:*

*Litanist*      Lord, in your mercy,  
*People*          *hear our prayer.*

## Concluding Prayer

*Celebrant*      Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## Confession and Absolution

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. *(Silence)*

*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.

## **Comfortable Words**

### **Peace**

*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**

### **Offertory**

*I believe help thou my unbelief*

W & G. Gaither

## Doxology

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.

*Celebrant* All things come from you, O Lord,  
*People* ***And of your own have we given you.***

## 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.

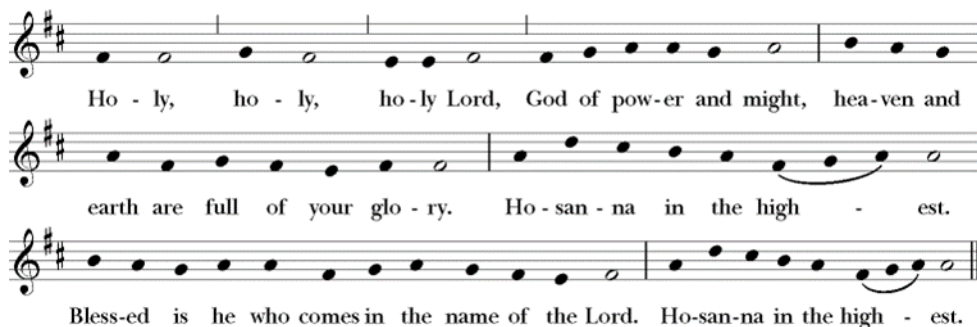
*People* ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*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.

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.*

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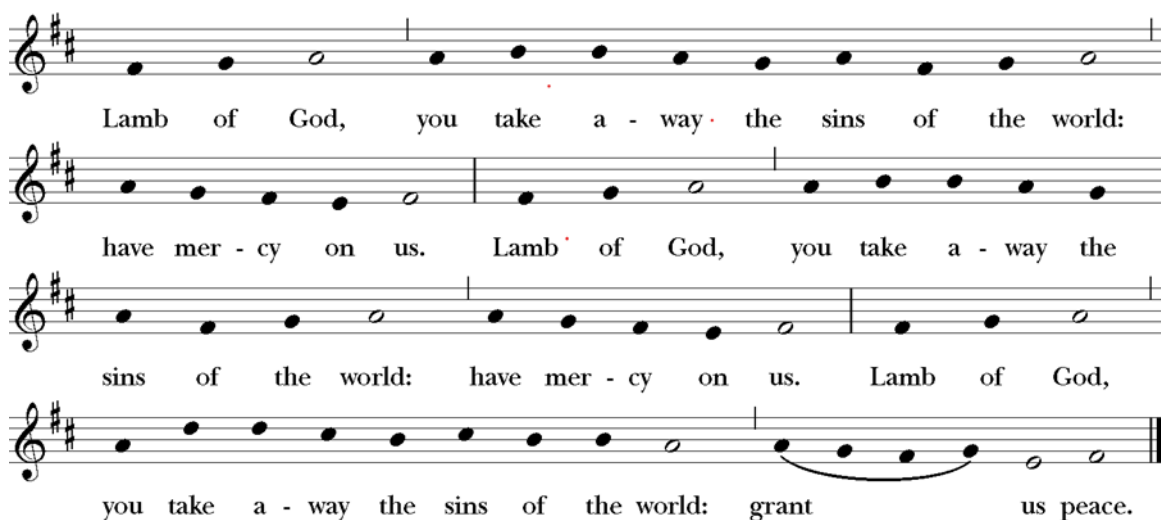
*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

## 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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us 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

1.

Here we are, gathered together as a family;  
Bound as one, lifting up our voices to the King of kings.  
We cry, "Abba, Father, worthy is Your Name.  
Abba, Father, worthy is Your Name."

Here we are, singing together as a family;  
Bound as one, lifting up our voices to the King of kings.  
We sing, “Abba, Father , Holy is Your name  
Abba, Father, Holy is Your name.”

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## 2.

*Refrain: Bind us together, Lord; bind us together  
with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord;  
Bind us together with love.*

There is only one God,  
There is only one King.  
There is only one body;  
That is why we can sing: *(Refrain)*

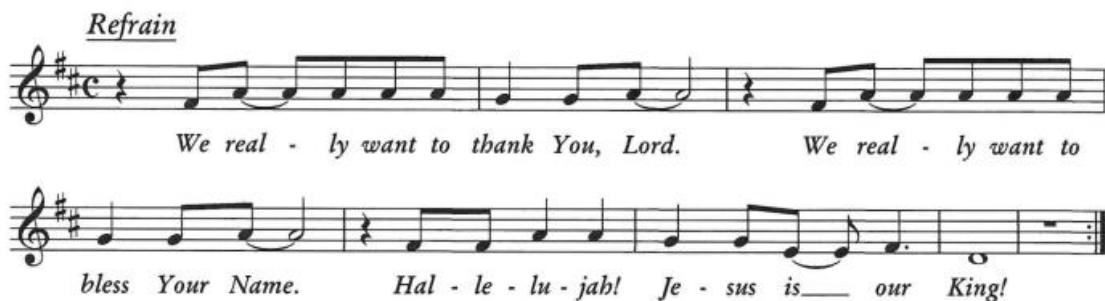
Made for the glory of God,  
Purchased by His precious Son.  
Born with the right to be clean,  
For Jesus the victory has won. *(Refrain)*

You are the family of God,  
You are the promise divine.  
You are God's chosen desire.  
You are the glor'ous new wine. *(Refrain)*

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3.

*Refrain*



We real - ly want to thank You, Lord. We real - ly want to  
bless Your Name. Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus is our King!

We thank You, Lord, for Your gift to us, Your life so rich beyond compare, the gift of Your Body here on earth of which we sing and share. (*Refrain*)

We thank You, Lord, for our life together, to live and move within Your love. When we're set free with tenderness to serve You with our lives. (*Refrain*)

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. (*Refrain*)

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## **The 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.*

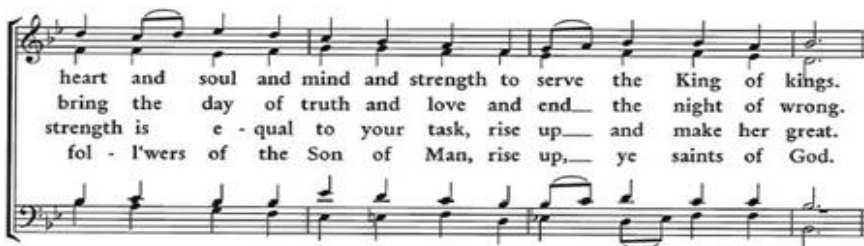
## Blessing

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



1. Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give  
2. Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,  
3. Rise up, ye saints of God! The Church for you doth wait, God's  
4. Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where His feet have trod; As



heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.  
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.  
strength is e - qual to your task, rise up and make her great.  
fol - l'wers of the Son of Man, rise up, ye saints of God.

words: W. P. Merrill, alt. music: *Festal Song*, W. H. Walter

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**Voluntary** *Prelude & Fugue in B-Flat* (560) attr. J.S. Bach

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## Worship Team

*Usbers:* Tim Longden, Fred Malik, Jr., Jim Reamy, III, Chuck Shippee

*Lector:* John Campani

*EMs:* Ingrid Young, Walt Young

*Organist/Pianist* Brady Johnson

*Choir:* Mary Earman, Charles Hansen, Rudolf Radocy, Wanda Lathom-Radocy, Paul Skaggs, Harriet Yemm

*Audio - Visual:* John Allen; Earle Boyter; Anthony Hiller; Noah Howard; Noah Woodrow

# CHURCH LEADERSHIP

*Lord, Savior and Chief Shepherd . . . . . Jesus Christ*

*Ministers . . . . . Every Member of Christ Church*

## Clergy and Staff

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## Announcements and Information September 15 – September 21, 2024

### CONNECT WITH CHRIST CHURCH

Use the Connect and RSVP cards to provide updates and sign up for events, request information, or contact the clergy. Please place them in the offering plate or leave them with an usher. The Communicator is our parish newsletter sent via email; let us know if you wish to subscribe. For other ways to connect with our parish family and find a place to belong, contact Deacon Deb at [DGordon@christchurchvero.org](mailto:DGordon@christchurchvero.org).

### CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

**Current Sermon Series:** Last session in this series: *“Living the Resurrection”* by Fr. Keith Allen

**Discipleship Class:** *“Love Like Jesus”*, Monday at 7 pm, Sep. 16 with Dcn. Deb

**Bible Study:** *“John’s Epistles: Letters of Love”*. Begins Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Center. This is an 8-week class, to study the 1st, 2nd and 3rd chapters of John. This study is written by Deacon Kim Allen.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 19: September Soaking Prayer; Thursday, 3:00 – 6:00pm** in the Nave. Come and experience being silently prayed over by prayer ministers who will seek the Lord on your behalf. You may stay as long or as little as you would like, soaked not by water but by The Spirit, in the Presence of God. Please know that if you would like to talk with someone and have them pray over you out loud, we will make accommodations for that as well in one of our prayer rooms.
- Sept 22: Parish Lunch Sunday “Sloppy Joes & Sub’s” – 12 Noon** in the Community Center; Please sign up to reserve; sign-up sheets are in the narthex; Volunteers are needed for setup, food prep, and cleanup.
- Sept 23: Ducks in a Row, Monday, 9:30-11-30am.** Led by Marshall Voyles, it will cover helpful information and topics you need to know to help you plan for family care and end-of-life preparations. This is open to the public and access is requested via the Community Center entrance. Contact Dcn. Deb for more details.
- Sept. 28: Southern Social for Our First Lady, Jody Farmer; Saturday, 10:00 – 11:30am** in the Community Center; Come and meet our First Lady, Jody Farmer, wife of our diocesan Bishop, Alex Farmer+. She will be sharing some of her story with us while we enjoy light refreshments and sweet fellowship. Please RSVP by calling

the church office, signing the sign-up sheet, or turning in a Connect Card. This will be a wonderful event to invite friends to join us as well!

**Sept. 29: Confirmation with Bishop Alex Farmer, preaching: 10:30am.**

### **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

**Myanmar Relief** – Historic flooding recently impacted this war-torn country, displacing tens of thousands of people in four Anglican dioceses. Give online at [ARDF.org/relief](http://ARDF.org/relief) or note “Myanmar” on a check payable to Christ Church.

### **2024 ALTAR FLOWERS DEDICATIONS:**

To donate altar flowers as a dedication, please contact Shari in the Church Office, including the date, honoree, and any flower preferences (subject to availability). People may sponsor the altar flower arrangements on specific Sundays for a suggested donation of \$35. The funds are used by the Flower Guild to purchase the supplies and flowers needed each week. To make your donation, dedication, and payment, or for more information, contact Shari.

### **CHILDREN’S MINISTRY:**

The Children's Ministry area is open at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings for nursery care. During the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service, we offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for ages 3-6 years in addition to nursery care for the first part of the service, after which the children may join their families in the Nave for Holy Communion. Please see Fr. Hunter or Stephe Van Wagenen for more information. Children age 7 and older are encouraged to worship with their family.

### **NURSERY CARE**

Nursery care opens on Sundays at 8:45 am for ages 2 and under. The Atrium is open for ages 3-6 from 8:45-10:15 am. Children ages 3 and up will worship with their families at 10:30 am and be excused for a children’s lesson during the sermon. Parents who need to tend to a child’s needs during the service are welcome to use the cry room in the back where you can still watch and hear the service; the room is accessed from the narthex.

### **ANGLICANS FOR LIFE:**

**Amendment 4** is on the Nov. election ballot and deceptively allows abortions through birth and eliminates parental rights for consent. As pro-life Christians, we encourage you to **vote NO on Amendment 4.**

### **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.

**CONTACT US:**

The parish office hours are 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday. The church office is closed on Friday. Please visit us or call 772-562-8670 during these hours if we may help you. Staff and clergy email information may be found at *ChristChurchVero.org* under the “What We Do” tab, or via the Church Center app directory.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

SUNDAY 10:30a.m., Eucharist Service  
MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:30 Morning Prayer

**BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES**

Contact the Parish Secretary 60 days in advance of the Baptism to set up an appointment with the Rector and at least four months in advance of your proposed wedding date to set up an appointment with a Priest.

**Prayers Needs**

Christ Church continues to pray for all those that are sick and hurting and ask that through the week, you continue to pray by saying: We humbly ask you, gracious Lord, to comfort and strengthen all those who, in this earthly life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially:

Donna Astrella	Ann Renninger
Marion Campani	Karen Renninger
Al Daniels	Jimi Regan
Roxane & Garry Edwards	Ronda Rosch
Cutris Hatch	Ashley Stock
Ed & Barbara Jeffreys	Rawleigh Tremain
Bill & Judith Lund	
Paul Miller	

## Prayers for Missionaries

Christ Church actively sponsors the following International Missionaries. We invite your continuing prayers in support of their faithful ministry in our Lord's name:

*Bp. Andudu, Sudan*

*Alison Barfoot, Uganda*

*Loren and Linda Fox, Global TEAM, Thailand and China*

*Becky Locuson, a mobilizer for AFM*

*Will and Becky McLaughlin, SE Asia*

*Matt and Katie Riley, Alongside Ministries International, France*

*Luke and Abby, Our brother and sister serving in North Africa*

*Maggie and Etzer Thomas, Foundation Mom Prince Thomas, Haiti*

*Abmed and Amira, Middle East*

Christ Church prays for the safety of the men and women serving on active duty to protect and defend our nation against terrorism. We have listed below the names of those persons known to us who are serving in this role. We ask for your special prayers for them and for their families, both at our Sunday services and throughout the week. Because the list is lengthy, we will not pray for each person by name out loud during the services, but they and their families are included in our prayers:

Daniel Ames

Jessica Ames

Chris Boltz

Matthew Buehrig

Michael Buehrig

Tim Buehrig

Kendra Cagniart

Pierre Cagniart

\*\*\*\*Jonathan Clement

Vetson Derisse

Wyatt Dillon

Doug Fritz

Michael Gallahue

Brianna Gomez

Gracie Gordon

Caleb Guthmann

David Guthmann

John Guthmann

Joseph Guthmann

Brian Hart

Regan Jones

Martha Kester

\*\*\*Dale Kridlo

Garrett Kulczycki

Rodger Lemon

Jeremy McCall

Richmond McCloud

\*Trane McCloud

Hunter McDaniel

\*\*Andrew McNair, Jr.

Evan Mustapick

John Pitta

Justine Iacono Proctor

Mike Proctor

Ryan Raffensburger

Christina P. Remmert

David Rosanes

Bryce Saint-Vincent

Eric Schneider

David Segalla

Marin Sentence

Melinda Sentence

Dylan Sjogren

Robert Skevington

Aaron Spera

Ben Spera

Caleb Valentin

G Joshua White

George Voyles

Alexander Wise

Erika Wise

Keith Zeuner

Alex Zook

\*Died in the war zone in Iraq, December, 2006.

\*\*Died in the war zone in Afghanistan, 2008.

\*\*\*Died in the war zone in Afghanistan, November, 2010.

\*\*\*\*Died in training



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