Christ Episcopal Church

Reading, Pennsylvania Christ is All and in All



The Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 14, 2024

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Today's Readings

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

The New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The Gospel: John 1:43-51

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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Our Ministries	Pastoral Care	Mary's Shelter
Worship	Cards and notes Prayer Lists	Narcotics Anonymous
Acolytes	Eucharistic Visitors	Berks Literacy for Citizenship
Altar Guild	Flower Delivery	Daughters of the King
Eucharistic Ministers	Pastoral Visits	Episcopal Church Women
Lectors		Helping Harvest
Intercessors	Fellowship	Veterans Coalition
Verger	Sunday Coffee Hour 50+ Club	Angel Tree
Dave Cullen Services	Coffee House Hospitality Comm.	Joyful Noise
Spirituality/Healing		Berks Community Health Center
Centering Prayer		Berks Youth Chorus

Welcome to Christ Episcopal Church: We are happy to welcome you to our church and worship services. Here are some things that you may find helpful. If you would like to know more about us there are cards that you can fill out hanging in each pew. Please hand your completed card to an usher as you leave today. Please join us after the service in our Fellowship Hall (down the stairs near the front of the church and on your right at the bottom of the stairs) to get to know us better. The most readily accessible restroom is through the door near the front of the sanctuary. Once you go through that door turn right; the restroom is across from the elevator. Parking is available for free on the street on Sundays and in the M&T parking lot behind the church on the corner of Washington

Cover image: Philip and Nathanael Called - from "The Book of Books in Pictures", Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld, Verlag von Georg Wigand, Liepzig: 1908

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: We pray for the coming of God's kingdom as we say, bring in your kingdom.

Intercessor: You sent your Son to bring good news to the poor, sight to the blind, freedom to the captives and salvation to your people: anoint us with your Spirit; rouse us to work in his name. We pray for Bryce, our rector, Kevin, our bishop, Michael, our presiding bishop, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, The Church of the Province of South East Asia, and Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem. Father, by your Spirit, **bring in your kingdom.**

Send us to bring help to the poor and freedom to the oppressed. Bring your peace and freedom to (...). Father, by your Spirit, bring in your kingdom.

Send us to tell the world the good news of your healing love. Father, by your Spirit, bring in your kingdom.

Send us to those who mourn, to bring joy and gladness instead of grief. We remember today Frank C. Brady and Kip Frasso. Father, by your Spirit, bring in your kingdom.

Send us to proclaim that the time is here for you to save your people. We pray especially for those celebrating this week, Heather Sterckx, Nancy Sunderman, and John Rodriguez Boggs. Father, by your Spirit, bring in your kingdom.

All: Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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8am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

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The Liturgy of the Word

Please Stand

The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: I will give you as a light to the nations,

People: that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

The Collect for Purity (said together)

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 Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord have mercy
People: Christ have mercy
Celebrant: Lord have mercy

The Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord: People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1.5, 12.17 (read responsively by whole verse)

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

The New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

At the end of the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

The Gospel Reading: John 1:43-51(full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

Before the reading

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:

People: Glory be to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord:

People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Homily

Please stand

The Nicene Creed 358

The Prayers of the People (page 4 of this bulletin)

Intercessor: Father, by your spirit, People: bring in your kingdom.

Confession of Sin 360

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B, page 367)

The Sanctus 367

The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 368

The Lord's Prayer and Breaking of the Bread

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The Invitation to Communion and Communion

The Post-Communion Prayers

The Celebrant first prays the following:

Celebrant: God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then all pray together on page 365.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Celebrant: With the light of the nations as your guide, go in peace to love and

serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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8:00 AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
The Reverend Bryce Wandrey

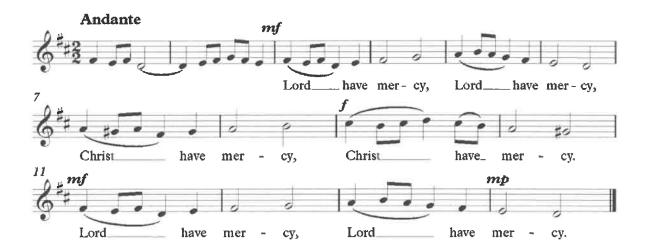
Communion Assistants
Rick Wolf and Ellen Sunderman

Lector and Intercessor Chris Spohn Altar Guild
Linda Jones, (Captain) Linda Lacey
and Brittany Underkofler

Usher
Chris Spohn and Ellen Sunderman



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Prelude Adagio from the Fifth Organ Symphony

Charles Marie Widor

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand

Processional Hymn The church of Christ in every age (see page 10)

The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: I will give you as a light to the nations,

People: that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

The Kyrie (see page 9)

David Thorne

The Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

At the end of the reading

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

Please stand

Gospel Hymn 126 The people who in darkness walked

The Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51(full text on page 2 of this bulletin)

Before the reading

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

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Please stand

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The Prayers of the People (page 4 of this bulletin)

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Confession of Sin 360

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements and Children's Message

The Offertory Anthem Dear Lord and Father of Mankind C. H. H. Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our foolish ways; Reclothe us in our rightful mind; In purer lives, Thy service find, In deeper reverence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea, The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word, Rise up and follow Thee. Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease: Take from our souls the strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire: Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm!

Presentation Hymn Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Hymn 380, vs 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Communion

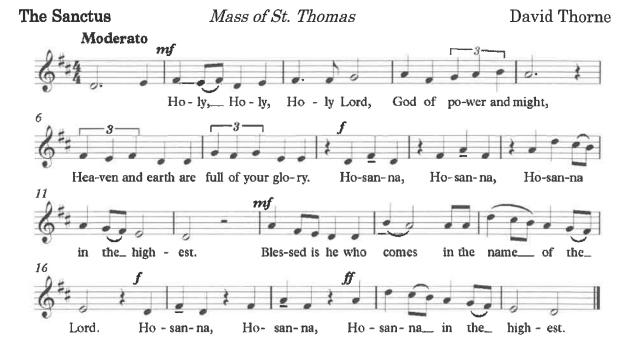
The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer B page 367)

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you:
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts:
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

The celebrant continues with the Great Thanksgiving on page 367



The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 368

The Lord's Prayer

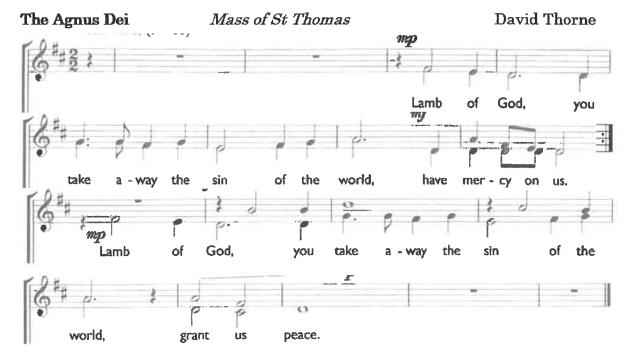
The Fraction Anthem Taste and See



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The Invitation to Communion

Everyone is invited to receive. If you would prefer to receive a blessing please indicate this by crossing your arms while at the communion rail. There will be two chalices for receiving: the first to drink from and the second chalice is for intinction (dipping the host instead of drinking).



The Communion Hymn 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

If Eucharistic ministers are being sent forth today to take the sacrament to people at home, the following prayer is said after Communion:

Celebrant: In the name of God, we 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.

All: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

The Post-Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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The Blessing

The Closing Hymn I the Lord of sea and sky (see bottom of page and p. 17)

The Dismissal

Celebrant: With the light of the nations as your guide, go in peace to love and

serve the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prelude in D Major

J. S. Bach

10AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
The Reverend Bryce Wandrey

Ushers
David Emes and Jack Lacey

Guest Organist
Jacqueline Wilson

Communion Assistants
Terry Rowles and Richard Laedlein

Verger Linda Jones

Crucifer
Emily Wandrey

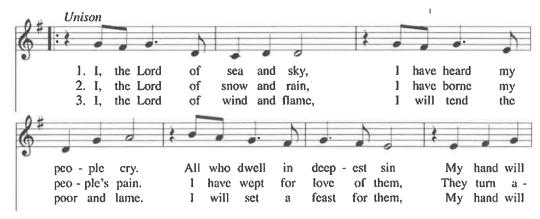
Gospel Book Bearer

Acolytes

Lector
Runette Gabrielle

Benjamin Frymoyer and Ian Hoelscher

Intercessor Terry Rowles Altar Guild
Linda Jones, (Captain) Linda Lacey
and Brittany Underkofler





Christ Church News is live! Christ Church News (CCN) is a weekly video event on our YouTube page, typically uploaded on Tuesday evenings. These are videos that can be easily shared with friends which will feature different messages and parts of our building each week. And it's easy to know when they are uploaded; just hit the subscribe button on our YouTube page and you will be notified when the next episode airs.

The cleanout of the undercroft is underway! All of the items stored on the south side (hallway) of the undercroft were moved into the hallway to the choir room. Ministry leaders are asked to review the items and tag those things that are still required to complete their ministry. Please place the name of your ministry on masking tape to tag your items by January 15. Any items not claimed will be disposed of.

This year, during Lent, we are organizing Lenten House Eucharists. This is a new opportunity for us to gather, pray, receive the Eucharist and enter more deeply into the Lenten Season. These meals will be pot luck dinners which will begin with a Eucharistic service led by Fr Bryce. We are looking for at least one host for each week of Lent, beginning the week of February 18th and running through the week of March 24th. In order to register as a host and receive more information about these meals please email Fr Bryce (brycepwandrey@gmail.com). If you are unable to host but want to be on the guest list for one of the Lenten House Eucharists please email Fr Bryce.

Our **annual meeting** is on January 28 after the 10:00AM service. Annual reports will be available on January 14.

Sunday School: 9:00 - 9:50; Catechesis (pre-school - first grade): room A1 Joyful Path (second grade - sixth grade): room A2; Live and Learn- a weekly class for middle and high school students. Room A3 Nursery: 9:00 - 11:30—Infant to pre-school across from Parish Hall. The nursery is available from Sunday school to Coffee Hour for ages infant to age 5. Children are free to learn, play, and explore in a safe, child-friendly environment.

While the season of Lent gets us ready to celebrate the resurrection of Christ, what gets us ready for Lent? **Pancakes!** On Tuesday February 13th at 5.30pm we will be getting ready for Lent with our annual pancake supper. Join us in the Fellowship Hall and eat all the pancakes you can.

Regular Christ Church Office hours:

Monday: 8:00 am · 2:00 PM; Tuesday 8:00AM-12:30PM Wednesday 8:00 am · 2:00 PM The Christ Church Mission Sharing God's Love with All

Please visit us at www.rdgchristchurch.org. The Diocesan and church staff members are listed, as well as a calendar of events. You may use this website to send in prayer requests. You may also request to be added to the list for e-news and newsletters.

Altar Candle Memorials for January are given for Blessings Received by Susan Frankowski; Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Paul and Alice Swain and Arthur and Mary Hoare by Stephen and Mary Hoare; Lois Feick by David and Judy Feick.

Altar Flowers for today are to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Frank C. Brady by Ashleigh, Matt, Ian and Lauren Hoelscher. Lectern Flowers for today are to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Frank C. Brady, her husband, from Kyle Brady,

If you would like to dedicate flowers for a Sunday service in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a life event, please call Nancy Shelley at 610-375-7925.

Adult Forum: What is prayer? How do we pray? Why pray in the first place? What happens when you pray? There is never a bad time to think about prayer which is what we will be doing in **Adult Forum** this Sunday. Join us at 9:05am in the Parlor as we explore **What is Prayer**?

We are hosting the next **ESL** conversation dinner on Tuesday January 16 at 6PM. We had a wonderful event earlier this year with nearly 60 people in attendance. This is a vital way for us to support those in our community who are looking to practice English in a conversational setting. Please email Kim at officemgr@rdgchristchurch.org or use the sign- up sheet to let us know if you are able to provide a main, dessert or drinks (6 serving size) and/or be in attendance for conversation.

Sunday, January 21 is our new organist and choir directors' first Sunday, Please be with us at 10:00AM to welcome John Painter to Christ Church.

This week at Christ Church

Sunday, January 14—2nd Sunday after Epiphany

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9AM Sunday School
9:05AM Adult Forum
10AM Holy Eucharist
11AM Fellowship Hour
11:30AM Worship Committee meeting
4PM—5PM NA meeting

Monday, January 15

12PM—1PM NA meeting 5:30-6:30PM NA meeting

Tuesday, January 16

9AM Citizenship class 12PM—1PM NA meeting 6PM ESL Conversation and dinner

Wednesday, January 17

12PM Holy Eucharist 12PM—1PM NA Meeting 5:30-6:30PM NA Meeting

Thursday, January 18

9AM—Citizenship Class 11AM Morning Prayer in the Chapel 12PM—1PM NA Meeting

Friday, January 19 12PM—1PM NA Meeting

Saturday, January 20 12PM—2PM NA Meeting Sunday, January 21—3rd Sunday after Epiphany

8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken) 9AM Sunday School 9:05AM Adult Forum 10AM Holy Eucharist (sung) 11AM Fellowship Hour 4PM—5PM NA meeting

Upcoming Events:

January 14 Worship Committee
Meeting 11:30AM
January 16 ESL Dinner 6PM
January 21 John Painter's first Sunday
January 24 Evening Eucharist with
David Cullen 5:30PM
January 28 Annual Meeting after

January 28 Annual Meeting after 10AM service

January 31 BCHC mobile unit at CCR

February 13 Pancake Supper 5:30PM

February 14 Ash Wednesday

