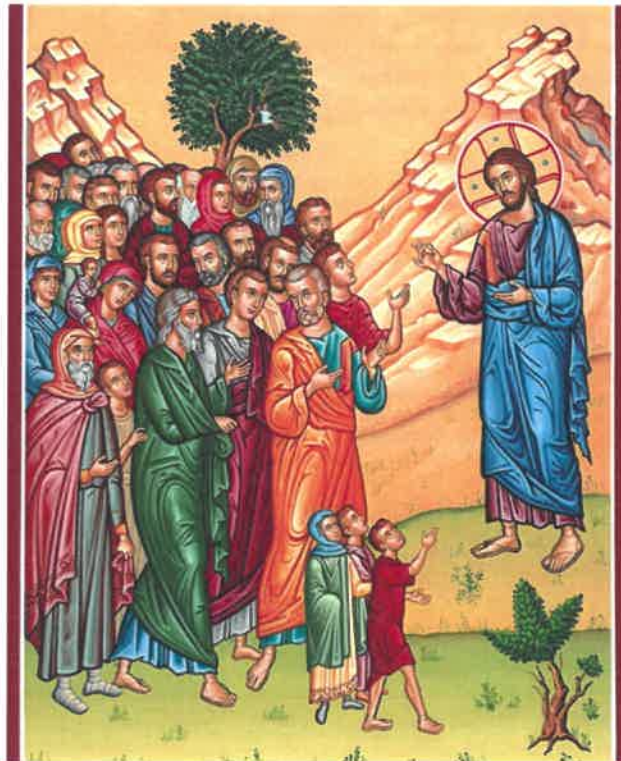


Christ Episcopal Church

Reading, Pennsylvania

Christ is All and in All



**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
and Father's Day**

June 16, 2024

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Today's Readings

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God;

if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come. "He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade. "With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Cover image: Jesus Teaching Icon

For those in need of our prayers....

Steve	Gigi	Craig
Penny	Kristin	Frank
Beverly	Lisa	Liza
Rose Marie Innocent	Nick	Beth
Stacey	Polly	Barb
Joe	Sally	Seth
Beverly	Wyatt	Ellen
Barbara	Jim	Peter
Marjorie Harrison Thomas	Annie	Mary Ann
Jerry	Liz	Bob Kappenstein
Cindy	Denise	Connie
Stephanie	Terra	Kathy
Randall		

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Let us pray to God, our heavenly Father, who provides this world with tender and loving care, saying, hear your children's prayer.

Intercessor: Ever-present God, your Son has revealed you as our heavenly Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

You have made your Church a spiritual family, a household of faith. Through baptism we are reborn as the brothers and sisters of Christ. Deepen our unity and fellowship in him. We pray for Bryce, our rector, Kevin, our bishop, Michael, our presiding bishop, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Iglesia Anglicana de Chile and St. Peter's, Hazleton. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

You sent your Son to give his life as a ransom for the whole human family. Give justice, peace and racial harmony to the world he died to save. Be with those who live in fear and destruction, especially the people of Ukraine and the Holy Land. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

You gave your Son a share in the life of a family in Nazareth. Help us to value our families, to be thankful for them, and to live sensitively within them. We pray for those who have provided us with fatherly care and protection and also those celebrating this week: Greg Young, Peter Sunderman, Alex Brantman, Brian Holt, Stephen and Charlotte Hoare, and Anita Powell and Cliff Buckwalter. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

Your Son drew around him a company of friends. Bring love and joy to all who are alone or suffering. We pray especially for those printed on our prayer list and anyone we name now... Help us all to find in the brothers and sisters of Christ a loving family. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

You are the God of the dead as well as of the living. In confidence we remember those of the household of faith who have gone before us, especially J. Frederick and Dorothy K. Keeler, J.F. (Jeff) Keeler, Jr and Carl L.N. and Carolyn Erdman, Lee Erdman and Charles L. Davis. Bring us with them to the joy of your home in heaven. Father of all: **hear your children's prayer.**

Celebrant: Merciful Father,

All: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Christ Episcopal Church
Reading, PA
8am Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

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The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand

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

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

The Collect for 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 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:

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13(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.**

Psalm 20 (The psalm is read responsively by whole verse)

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble,
the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

**Send you help from his holy place
and strengthen you out of Zion;**

Remember all your offerings
and accept your burnt sacrifice;

**Grant you your heart's desire
and prosper all your plans.**

We will shout for joy at your victory
and triumph in the Name of our God;
may the Lord grant all your requests.

**Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed;
he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
with the victorious strength of his right hand.**

Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.

**They collapse and fall down,
but we will arise and stand upright.**

O Lord, give victory to the king
and answer us when we call.

The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 (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: Mark 4:26-34 (full text on page 3 of this bulletin)

Before the reading

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

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)

Celebrant: Father of all,

People: **hear your children's prayer**

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 A, page 361)

The Sanctus 362

The Celebrant concludes the Great Thanksgiving on page 362

The Lord's Prayer and Breaking of the Bread 364

The Invitation to Communion and 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 Post-Communion Prayers

The Celebrant first prays the following:

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then all pray together on page 365.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

8:00 AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist
The Reverend James Rinehart

Communion Assistant
Rick Wolf

Lector and Intercessor
Terry Rowles

Altar Guild
Charlotte Hoare (Captain), Christine Keeler, Josephine Lawson and Mary Jane Androne

Usher
Ellen Sunderman

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 June 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 Charlotte Hoare; **Sherry Feick Chandler** by David and Judy Feick.

Altar Flowers for today are to the **Glory of God and in Loving Memory of J. Frederick and Dorothy K. Keeler, J.F. (Jeff) Keeler, Jr and Carl L.N. and Carolyn Erdman and Lee Erdman** from Robert and Christine Keeler
Columbarium Flowers for today are to the **Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Charles L. Davis** from his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Kyrie

Kevin R. Hackett

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Music: Kevin R. Hackett (b. 1956), from *Hymn Tunes Mass*; based on *Herzlichster Jesu*, Johan Cruger (1598-1662), alt.
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you:

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 (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

Gospel Hymn 558 *Faith of our fathers*

The Holy Gospel: Mark 4:26-34 (full text on page 3 of this bulletin)

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel or our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

After the reading
Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Please be seated
The Homily
Please stand

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People: **hear your children's prayer.**

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Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Announcements and Children's Message

The Offertory Anthem: *Ride on, King Jesus!* arranged by H. T. Burleigh
Runette Gabrielle, soloist

1. Ride on, King Jesus
No man can a-hinder me
Ride on King Jesus, ride on
No man can a-hinder me

2. I was young when I begun
No man can a-hinder me
But now my race is almost run
No man can a-hinder me

3. King Jesus rides on a milk
white horse
No man can a-hinder me
The river Jordan he did cross
No man can a-hinder me

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 A page 361)

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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 361

The Sanctus

Richard Proulx

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #125

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

Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Lord's Prayer

The Fraction Anthem

G C Am D , Bm Em
 Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and ne-ver be
 Dsus⁴ D , G D Em Bm ,
 hun - gry. Eat this bread, drink this cup,
 C D G *Fine*
 trust in him and you will not thirst.

The Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

Healy Willan

1, 2 O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
 way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
 on us. 3 O Lamb of
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
 world, grant us thy peace.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healy Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

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The Communion Hymn 391 *Before the Lord's eternal throne*

If Eucharistic visitors 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 Prayers

The Celebrant first prays the following:

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine; hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then all pray together on page 365.

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn 410 *Praise my soul the king of heaven*

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Allegro (Concerto in A minor, after Vivaldi)*

J. S. Bach

10AM Service Participants

Celebrant and Homilist

The Reverend James Rinehart

Organist and Choir Director

John Painter

Verger

Linda Jones

Gospel Book Bearer

Andrea Griffith

Lector

Anita Powell

Intercessor

Ashleigh Hoelscher

Ushers

David Emes, Garrett Hyneman,
Joann Hyneman and Jack Lacey

Communion Assistants

Victoria Wilson and Wayne Fanning

Crucifer

Milah Smith

Acolytes

Cadence and Dalia Carvalho

Altar Guild

Charlotte Hoare (Captain), Christine
Keeler, Josephine Lawson and Mary
Jane Androne

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Vestry</u></p> <p>Wayne Fanning (Senior Warden) Diane Morris (Junior Warden) Terry Rowles (Pastoral Care) Pam Wheat (Grants) Carolyn Handy (Stewardship) Michael West (Finances) Connie Fegley (Worship) Anita Powell (Hospitality) Kim Alarcon (Outreach) Mary Arguelles (Children/Youth) Chuck Brantman (Security/Property)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Our Ministries</u></p> <p><u>Worship</u> Acolytes Altar Guild Eucharistic Ministers Lectors and Intercessors Vergers Guitar and Taizé Services Healing Team Centering Prayer Morning Prayer Ushers Kristallnacht Service</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Music</u></p> <p>Parish Choir Bell Ringers Children's Choir Fall Festival of Arts</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Education</u></p> <p>Adult Forum Library Children's Ministries Education for Ministry</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Pastoral Care</u></p> <p>Cards and notes Prayer Lists Eucharistic Visitors Flower Delivery Pastoral Visits</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Fellowship</u></p> <p>Sunday Coffee Hour 50+ Club Hospitality Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Business</u></p> <p>Property Ministry Church Maintenance Days Stewardship Team Planned Giving Communications Capital Campaign Security Taskforce</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Outreach</u></p> <p>Opportunity House Rummage Mary's Shelter Narcotics Anonymous Literacy Council of Reading Berks ESL Dinners Daughters of the King Episcopal Church Women Helping Harvest Veterans Coalition of PA Angel Tree Berks Community Health Center Berks Youth Chorus</p>
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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, June 16 —The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost and Father's Day
8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9:05AM Adult Forum/Pilgrim course
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
11AM Fellowship Hour
4PM—5PM NA meeting

Monday through Friday June 17 to June 21
8AM-5PM BYC Summer Sing

Monday, June 17
12PM—1PM NA meeting
5:30-6:30PM NA meeting

Tuesday, June 18
9AM Citizenship class
12PM—1PM NA meeting
12:30AM Centering Prayer

Wednesday, June 19
12PM Holy Eucharist (in the chapel)
12PM—1PM NA Meeting
5:30-6:30PM NA Meeting

Thursday, June 20
9AM Citizenship Class
9:30AM Centering Prayer
11AM Morning Prayer at Red Bridge Park
12PM—1PM NA Meeting

Friday, June 21
12PM—1PM NA Meeting

Saturday, June 22
12PM—2PM NA Meeting

Sunday, June 23—The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
8AM Holy Eucharist (spoken)
9:05AM Adult Forum/Pilgrim course
10AM Holy Eucharist (sung)
11AM Fellowship Hour
4PM—5PM NA meeting

Upcoming Events

June 30 Independence Sunday

We are continuing our six-week **Pilgrim Course today**. This is an innovative and inspiring program for people of all stages along the road of following Jesus. We will be exploring **The Lord's Prayer** by looking at each powerful line of this prayer, week by week. We meet in the Parlor from 9:05 to 9:45am .Please join us in this course for the Christian journey.



Did you forget your checkbook this morning? Have you been wanting to set up a pledge but keep forgetting? Life just got a whole lot easier: scan the QR code on your phone and it will take you directly to our giving homepage.



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