

The Third Sunday after Pentecost  
Year B

June 9, 2024



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## Holy Eucharist and Baptism

### Entrance Rite

Prelude *Psalm-Prelude Set 1, No. 2* Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Processional Hymnal 594

*God of grace and God of glory* *Cwm Rhondda*

Children's Chapel follows the procession. Suggested ages are pre-K through fifth grade; younger children are welcome if accompanied by adults.

Opening Acclamation and Response BCP 299

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Officiant* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one hope in God's call to us;

*Officiant* One Lord; one Faith; one Baptism;

*People* One God and Father of all.

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray:

The Collect of the Day

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

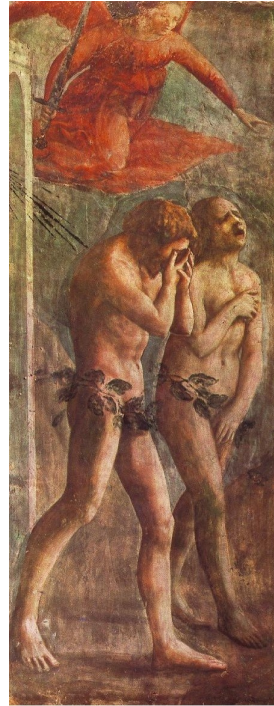
## The Word of God

### First Lesson

### Genesis 3:8–15

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” The Lord God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.  
I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel.”



*The Expulsion from the Garden of Eden (Cacciata dei progenitori dall'Eden)*, Masaccio. 1425. Fresco on the walls of Brancacci Chapel, Santa Maria del Carmine, Florence, Italy.

**Psalm 130**     *De profundis*

**BCP 784**

*Sung by the choir.*

chant: Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
    Lord, hear my voice; \*  
    let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
    O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
    therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
    in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,  
    more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
    more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
    for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
    and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

**Epistle**

**2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1**

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I



believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

*Adam and Eve or Paradise Lost (Adeam et Eve, ou Le Paradis perdu)*, Gauguin, circa 1890. Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT.

Sequence Hymn

*O Jesus Christ, may grateful hymns be rising*

Hymnal 590

*Charterhouse*

## Holy Gospel

## Mark 3:20–35

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has



risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

*The Temptation of Christ on the Mountain*, Duccio di Buoninsegna. between 1308 and 1311. The Frick Collection, New York, NY.

Sermon	The Reverend Patricia R. Davis, <i>Deacon</i>
Presentation and Examination of the Candidate	BCP 301
<i>Elizabeth Grace Finley</i>	
The Baptismal Covenant	BCP 304
Prayers for the Candidate	BCP 305
Antiphon at the Procession to the Font	
<i>If ye love me</i>	Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)
If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever, e'en the Spirit of truth.	
<i>(John 14:15–17)</i>	
Thanksgiving over Water	BCP 306
The Baptism	BCP 307
The Peace	BCP 308

## The Holy Communion

Offertory “Since by man came death” from *Messiah*, HWV 56  
Georg Frideric Handel (1685–1759)  
Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.  
*(1 Corinthians 15:21–22)*

Presentation of the Gifts	Hymnal 380, v. 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. Amen.	
The Great Thanksgiving, <i>Eucharistic Prayer A</i>	BCP 361
Sanctus and Benedictus	Hymnal S-129
	Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Anthem	
<i>Be known to us, Lord Jesus</i>	Gary James (b. 1957)
<i>Cantor, then all</i> Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.	
<i>Cantor</i> The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. <i>Refrain</i>	
One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. <i>Refrain</i>	
All Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.	
Anthem at Communion	
<i>I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills</i>	Leo Sowerby (1895–1968)
The text is a version of Psalm 121, found on page 779 of the <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> .	
Hymn at Communion	Hymnal 209
<i>We walk by faith and not by sight</i>	<i>St. Botolph</i>
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Processional	Hymn Insert
<i>O God beyond all praising</i>	<i>Thaxted</i>
Dismissal	
Postlude <i>Marche Héroïque</i>	A. Herbert Brewer (1865–1928)



### **Prayers of the People\***

For the people of Haiti, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza and places of conflict around the world: for strength, hope, perseverance, and protection; for liberation from violence and oppression; for the end of war and the laying down of weapons.

**Also for** Charles Epps, Morgan Andrews

**For the Birthdays of** Caroline Keller, Crawford Lerch, Chris Logan, Joy Schwartz, Mrs. Lawrence Carson, Stephen Gerard, Gene Marshall, Harris Brown, Jamie Cartwright, Rivers Hall, Carter Hubbard Jr., John Alford, Carly Gardner, Clay Bush, George Fergus, Jim Gerhart, Keating Taylor, Catherine Varnadoe, Becky Milmine, Vivi Cate Blessing, Tillie Macfadyen, McKenzie Lynah, Bob Christian, Benjamin Messinger, Peter Messinger, Audrey Agyei-Gyamfi, Litch Carpenter, John McGinn, Jay Howington, Smith McGinn, Nora Smith, Hermina Glass-Hill, John Lutz, Heather Crampton, Shannon Hill, Molly Taylor, William Holden, Frank Chappell, Audrey Griffith, Harris Stone, Liz Williams, Denton Stone, Jud Hill, James Mikell, Garrett Zajac, Henry Christian, Meredith Dulany, Alex Lynch, Elizabeth Sumner

**For the Wedding Anniversaries of** Nanette and Henry Eisenhart, Kate and Kev Jackson, Angela and Ken Brandt, Spencer and Jamie Lindley, Montie and Steve Acuff, Wanda and Karl Bohnstedt, Ansley and Paul Threlkeld, Katie and Lee Griffith, Emma and Adam Reardon, Lynn and Hudson Harrison, Elizabeth North and Wes Woolf, Fay and Randy Woodruff, Rena and Nevin Patton, Kerry and George Fergus, Barbara Powers and Kris Brenard, Brooke and Denton Stone, Judy and Phil Walters, Lloyd and Stuart Childs, Holly and Peter Ruhlin, Molly and Geoff Taylor

**For Those Who Have Died and for the Comfort of Their Families:** Pam McCaslin, Reagan Cole, Glenda Morisano

\*The full prayer list may be found on our website and in our weekly email.



## Announcements

### Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of T Gongaware by her children and grandchildren.

### This Week at Christ Church

**Sunday, June 9 - The Third Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Baptism

**Monday through Friday, June 10–14**

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Docent Tours

**Monday, June 10**

5:30 p.m. In the Spirit. *New Beginnings*.

**Thursday, June 13**

10:30 a.m. Book Group

### Next Sunday at Christ Church

**Sunday, June 16 - The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### Let us welcome the newly baptized

*Elizabeth “Ellie” Grace Finley*, born March 4, 2024, is excited to be welcomed into Christ’s family at Christ Church, following in the footsteps of her big brother Paul, baptized January of 2020. Ellie is the second child and daughter of Matthew Miller Finley and Megan Elizabeth Lambert Finley. While Megan is originally from Texas, Matthew was raised here in Savannah down the street at First Baptist Church, Savannah.



Assisting in the sacrament of holy baptism is Megan's father, Rt. Rev. Paul E. Lambert, retired Bishop Suffragan of Dallas, Texas and by Matthew's father, former Sr. Minister at First Baptist Church, Savannah., Rev. Dr. John M. Finley. Ellie's godparents are her Uncle Scott Robertson of Texarkana, AR and Elizabeth "Betsy" Davis of Savannah, GA and sister of Whit Davis. Ellie's maternal grandparents are Paul and Sally Lambert and her paternal grandparents are John and Norma Finley. Matthew enjoys performing independent historic property research and also serves as Department Chair of History at Oglethorpe Charter School while Megan works as the Financial Aid & Scholarship specialist at SCAD.

### **In the Spirit**

*Monday, June 10, 5:30 p.m.*

"In the Spirit" is a discussion group for those who seek to deepen their faith through meaningful conversations. Join us on Monday at The 5-Spot in Sandfly (7360 Skidaway Road), where you can grab something to eat or drink as we spend time together. We'll gather at 5:30 p.m. and begin our discussion at 6. This week's topic is New Beginnings.

### **Christ Church Book Group**

*Thursday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.*

Join us each second Thursday in the undercroft as we explore insights from thought-provoking works. This month, the selection is *The Sweetness of Forgetting* by Kristin Harmel. A baker in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, must travel to Paris to uncover a family secret for her dying grandmother—and what she learns may change everything. *The Sweetness of Forgetting* is the book that made Kristin Harmel an international bestseller.

### **Farewell Party for Michael and Helen**

*Friday, June 14, 5:30–7:30 p.m.*

Everyone is invited! Join us at Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum (41 MLK Jr. Blvd.) for a time of food, fun and celebration as we bid Michael and Helen farewell for now. RSVP on the Christ Church website: [christchurchsavannah.org/bulletinevents-1](http://christchurchsavannah.org/bulletinevents-1).

### **Appreciation for the Ministry of Helen and Michael White**

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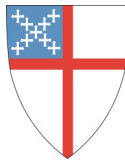
If you would like to express your gratitude to the Revs. Helen and Michael White for their years of faithful ministry to Christ Church, we have set up a “purse” to collect monetary gifts that we will present to them on their final Sunday, June 16. You can contribute via the website, or make checks payable to Christ Church and put “purse” in the memo line.

Any words of gratitude left in the online “comments” form will be passed on to Michael and Helen. You can also send a physical note by placing it in the alms basin at church, or mailing it to 28 Bull Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

Contact Catherine Gussler (912-222-0888) with any questions.

### Photos from June 2, 2024





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The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue, *Bishop of Georgia*

The Reverend Michael S. White, *Rector*

The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *Senior Associate Rector*

The Reverend Helen S. White, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Patricia Rhoads Davis, *Deacon*

The Reverend Dr. Bertice Berry, *Deacon*

George H. Fergus, *Director of Music*

Suzanne Phillips Smith, *Parish Administrator*

Charles L. Epps, *Sexton*

The Reverend Canon Todd D. Smelser, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend Liam G. Collins, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend Richard "Max" Maxwell, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend David C. Seyle, *United Methodist Pastor-in-Residence*

### Vestry

Stephen R. Rilee, *Senior Warden*; Washington C. Dender, *Junior Warden*;

Sarah B. Smith, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Patton W. Dugas, *Treasurer*;

Catherine M. Gussler, *Assistant Treasurer for Stewardship and Finance*;

Lindsey A. Eberle; Katherine J. Griffith; Stephanie C. Lindley;

Rosemary W. Mackey; Elizabeth L. Macfadyen; Roger Moss, Jr.;

Rena K. Patton; Paul D. Reddick; Paul H. Threlkeld;

Polly C. Webster; Susan H. Wetmore

### Sundays

10:00 a.m. Nursery, located on the 2nd floor of the Parish House at 18 Abercorn

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

The Church building is located at 28 Bull Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401

The telephone number is 912-236-2500

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Christ Church, the "Mother Church of Georgia," was founded on February 12, 1733 and is a member of the Diocese of Georgia which, in turn, is one of 110 Dioceses which composes The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and abroad. The Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces, and regional Churches in communion with the See of Canterbury. The fellowship upholds and propagates the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. The current church building was constructed in 1838 and is the third one on the original site.