

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Year B

August 11, 2024



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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Entrance Rite

Prelude *Variations on "Coronation"* Gerre Hancock (1934–2012)

Processional Hymnal 450

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Coronation

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

Acclamation and Response BCP 355

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

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

The Collect for Purity BCP 355

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal S-280

Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

The Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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 1 Kings 19:4–8

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord,

take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.” He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.



Elijah Fed by an Angel, Ferdinand Bol. between 1600 and 1663. Private collection.

Psalm 34:1–8 *Benedicam Dominum*

BCP 627

Sung by the choir.

chant: Scott Dettra (b. 1975)

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

Epistle

Ephesians 4:25–5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to



have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice,

and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Miracle of the Manna, Tintoretto. c. 1577. Scuola Grande di San Rocco, Venice.

Sequence Hymn

Bread of the world, in mercy broken

Hymnal 301

Rendez à Dieu

Holy Gospel

John 6:35, 41–51

Jesus said, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”



Ditched, Stalled, and Stranded, San Joaquin Valley, CA, 1935. Dorothea Lange. The Museum of Modern Art, New York.

Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Bertice Berry, *Deacon*

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory *Panis angelicus*

Cesar-August Franck (1822–1890)

Sung in Latin.

Angels' Bread is made the bread of man today:

The living bread from heaven with figures dost away:

O wondrous gift indeed! the poor and lowly may
upon their Lord and Master feed.

To thee, therefore, we implore, O Godhead, One in Three,

So may thou visit us as we now worship thee;

and lead us on thy way, that we at last may see

the light wherein thou dwellest aye. Amen. (*St. Thomas Aquinas, 1225–1274*)

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, *Eucharistic Prayer A*

BCP 361

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-129

R. J. Powell

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Be known to us, Lord Jesus

Gary James (b. 1957)

Cantor, then all Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Cantor The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the
body of Christ. *Refrain*

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one

bread. *Refrain*

All Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Anthem at Communion

“He, watching over Israel” from *Elijah*, Op. 70

Felix Mendelssohn (1807–1849)

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.

Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish; He will quicken thee.

(*Julius Schubring, 1806–1889*)

Hymn at Communion

Hymnal 454

Jesus came, adored by angels

Lowry

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

Processional

Hymnal 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Mit Freuden zart

Dismissal

Postlude “Allegro maestoso” from *Organ Sonata No. 5*, Op. 65/5

F. Mendelssohn



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 Cameron, Cinny, Heather Crampton, Troy Samuels

For the Birthdays of Kerry Fergus, Rosalie Morris, Barbara Powers, Solomon Smith, Heather Wallace, Jaron Legree, Kharis Ott, Henry Bush, Wynn Denard, Parker Larvan, David Slatinsky, Diane Van Wagner, John Maxwell, Thomas Claiborne, Maren Haenel, Becky Cheatham, Caro Powell, Zoe Rinker, Maggie Lee, Taylor Summerell, Charlotte Wright, Cooper Reiley, Claudia Seyle, Anna Caroline Wright, Gay Fortson, Davis Shipley, Mollie Dugas, Bess Davenport, Royce Abbott, Reid Keller, Anna Reeves, Gennie Leigh Sumner, Mary Jane Chappell, Cindy Hightower, Hampton Sumner, Timmy Stolba, Mary Margaret Cone, Paul Miller Finley, Simon Macfadyen, Sydney Logan, Paul Kline, Wes Woolf, Hilary Jones, Ella Stone, Allison Bulka, Layden Childs, Matt Finley, Paul Strychalski, Paul Threlkeld, Boone Weisner, Stephen Angell, Ansley Threlkeld, Josh White, Susan Lynah, Lauren Eberle, Sarah Collins Jackson, Mimi Cay, Trip Jackson, Meagan Reiley

For the Wedding Anniversaries of Emmy and Spencer Burch, Nancy and Gary Radke, Ruth and Chip Goldsmith, Kristen and Mickey Ott, Claire and Stephen Rilee, Elizabeth and Matthew Bush, Andrea and Ben Stolba, Kacie Davis and Garrett Greiner, Kim Bockius-Suwyn and Dan Suwyn

For Those Who Have Died and for the Comfort of Their Families:

*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 George Oelschig by the Oelschig family.

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, August 11 - The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

5:00 p.m. Savannah VOICE Festival Concert

Monday through Friday, August 12–16

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Docent Tours

Monday, August 12

5:30 p.m. In the Spirit. *Is the Bread of Life Gluten-Free?*

Next Sunday at Christ Church

Sunday, August 18 - The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Back to School Blessing

4:30 p.m. Pool Party for Kids at Bockius-Suwyn House

Donating Flowers for the Altar

Ever wondered how to donate altar flowers for Sunday worship? The flower guild manages these requests, and is glad to hear from you! Flowers can be given in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one, with a suggested donation of \$100. If you would like to donate flowers, contact Catherine Gussler at cmgussler@gmail.com or 912-222-0888.

In the Spirit

Monday, August 12, 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 *Is the Bread of Life Gluten-Free?*.

Back-to-School Blessing

Sunday, August 18, 10:30 a.m.

Calling all students and teachers! At our 10:30 a.m. service next Sunday, August 18 we will have our annual Back-to-School Blessing with prayers for all in our school communities for the coming year.

Pool Party for Christ Church Kids

Sunday, August 18, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

Make a splash at our annual pool party for Christ Church kids of all ages. Join us from 4:30–6:30 p.m. at the home of Dan Suwyn and Kim Bockius-Suwyn: 425 Suncrest Blvd. Pizza will be served! Suggested donation is \$5. Please RSVP to the Rev. Samantha McKean: samantha.k.mckean@ccesavannah.org.

Sung Evening Prayer

Thursday, August 22, 5:45 p.m.

To conclude their three-day Chorister Camp, the Christ Church Choristers will lead a service of Sung Evening Prayer in the church at 5:45 on Thursday, August 22. Come support these young singers and end your day with this 15-minute service of prayers, readings, and anthems.

Neighborhood Parties

Sunday, September 15, 5:30 p.m.

A party is coming to your neighborhood! On Sunday, September 15, neighborhood parties will be held wherever Christ Church members are found. These casual gatherings are a great way to connect with your literal Christ Church "neighbors" in a fun and relaxed setting. No need to bring anything but a smile! To RSVP to your neighborhood party, please visit the Christ Church website.

Christ Church Choristers

This coming fall, Christ Church will start a new chorister program for all children and youth in 3rd through 12th grades. Through this program, young singers will learn musicianship, leadership, music theory and history, as well as the Episcopal liturgy and theology that we practice every Sunday. The program is affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music in America, which shares our

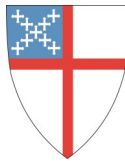
Christ Church belief that children are not the church leaders of the future; they are the church leaders of the present. For more information or to sign up, please contact Director of Music George Fergus.

Save the Date

- September 4, Wednesday Noon Service resumes
- September 8, Interim Rector Canon Cathy Zappa's first Sunday
- September 8, Adult Forum at 9:30 a.m. resumes
- September 8, Concert Series: George Fergus, organ
- September 15, Neighborhood Parties

Photos from July 28, 2024





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The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue, *Bishop of Georgia*
The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *Senior 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
www.christchurchsavannah.org

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.