

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
Year B

October 20, 2024



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Today's service follows the form for Holy Eucharist Rite II, beginning on page 355 of the red Book of Common Prayer ("BCP"). The music may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982; numbers beginning with "S-" are service music, located at the front of the hymnal.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Entrance Rite

Prelude *Adagio* John Bennett (1735–1784)

Processional Hymnal 525

The Church's one foundation *Aurelia*

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

Hymn of Praise Hymnal S-280

Gloria in excelsis Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

Isaiah 53:4–12

Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the Lord has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.
By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.
They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.
Out of his anguish he shall see light;

he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.
Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Psalm 91:9–16

Qui habitat

BCP 720

Sung by the choir.

chant: Bruce Neswick (b. 1956)

- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,
10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

Epistle

Hebrews 5:1–10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to

weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of
Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.



St. James the Apostle, Peter Paul Rubens. Between 1612 and 1613. Museo del Prado, Madrid, Spain.

Sequence Hymn

Give praise and glory unto God

Hymnal 375

Du Lebensbrot Herr Jesu Christ

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:35–45

As James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the

cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."



When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The Apostle Saint John Evangelista, Peter Paul Rubens. circa 1611. Museo del Prado, Madrid, Spain.

Sermon	The Reverend Cathy Zappa, <i>Interim Rector</i>
Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form VI	BCP 392
Absolution	BCP 360
The Peace	

The Holy Communion

Offertory	<i>Teach me, O Lord</i>	Thomas Attwood (1765–1838)
Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes, and I will keep them unto the end. (<i>Psalm 119:33</i>)		

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
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Hymnal S-130
From <i>Deutsche Messe</i>	Franz Peter Schubert (1797–1828)
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Anthem, <i>Agnus Dei</i>	Hymnal S-164
From <i>Deutsche Messe</i>	F. P. Schubert
<i>All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please let an usher know if you need to receive from your pew. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive a blessing, you may cross your arms over your chest.</i>	
Hymns at Communion	Hymnal 663, 325
<i>The Lord my God my shepherd is</i>	<i>Crimond</i>
<i>Let us break bread together</i>	<i>Let Us Break Bread</i>
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Closing Hymn	Hymnal 535
<i>Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim</i>	<i>Paderborn</i>
Dismissal	
Postlude <i>Finale and Fughetta</i>	Johann Kaspar Ferdinand Fischer (1656–1746)



Prayers of the People*

For 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 Asa Davis, Julie, Greg Mask, Lynn McKuen, Renée Huskey Chandler, Carin Ribbons

For the Birthdays of Nan Hooten, Jay Eberle, Henry Perkins, Catherine Hallman, Lane Lynch, Rena Patton, Dax Reiley, Angela Brandt, Emmy Burch, Catherine Gussler, Holden Haenel, Janice Smith, Bella Grace Baker, Kim Bockius-Suwyn, Anna Claire Davis, Marie Dent, Parsons Summerell, Erin Waterman, Edward Wallace, Chuck Barton, Cathy Howington, Sam Mikell Jr., Cole Benhase, Roger Moss Jr., Tiara Sanders, Ollie Truex, Ryan Chandler, Tori Chandler, John Mikell Jr., Susan Geddes, Harlan Lerch, Stephen Smith, Barrie Bradley, Savannah Young, Barbara Brakman, Susan Wetmore, Florence Stovall, Kristi Anderson, Brylee Bragg, Wanda Bohnstedt, Hartford Gongaware, Cora Bett Thomas, Wash Dender, Maisie Gardner, Rob Gibson, Rivers Myers, Irene Feddern, Meg Nelson, Kim Sachs

For the Wedding Anniversaries of Susan and Charlie Wetmore, Mary Helen and John Skeadas, Jim Gerhart and Todd Smelser, Comer and Otto Immel, Heather and Will Wallace, Ruthie and Jeff Whitlow, Rima and Kwasi Agyei-Gyamfi, Melissa and Shaun Bragg, Charlie and Joseph Frew-Miller, Kathryn and Peter Trussell

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

*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 Mr. and Mrs. David McCord Wright, Miss Caroline Meldrim and Mr. and Mrs. George Noble Jones by Anna Wright Smith, Peter Meldrim Wright and Antony Pope Wright.

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, October 20 - Twenty-Second Sunday of Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Forum: A Different Community

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

6:00 p.m. Evening Program: Ordinary Saints

Monday through Friday, October 21–25

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Docent Tours

Wednesday, October 23

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing

5:15 p.m. Chorister Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Next Sunday at Christ Church

Sunday, October 27 - Twenty-Third Sunday of Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Forum: A Different Community

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

6:00 p.m. Evening Program: Ordinary Saints

This Sunday

Follow-up Phase of Stewardship has begun!

Thank you so very much to those that have already made a pledge to the 2025 *Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow* campaign. Ingathering Sunday was last week, so the public portion of our campaign in church is over. Of the pledges received almost half are increased and new pledges, but we are less than 1/2 way to our total goal of pledging units.

PLEASE HELP AND PLEDGE TODAY. Follow-up contacts have begun, so please help us and prayerfully consider a pledge to support our mission and ministry in the coming year.

P.S. from Catherine - Why should I pledge electronically rather than using a pledge card? It is faster, more secure, less expensive for the church and all the records can be collected in one place. To date we have over 10 times as many electronic pledges as those that pledge using cards.

Sunday Morning Forum

A Different Community: Christians in the Public Square

Beginning October 6, 9:30 a.m. in the Parish House

As Christians, we are called to be a community transformed into the image of Christ. This transformation is powerful enough to reach every sphere of our lives—not only when we show up at church on Sunday morning, but also when we scroll through our social media feeds, sit around the Thanksgiving table with distant relatives, and park next to that car whose bumper stickers betray an ideology very different from our own. Many narratives of our current cultural and political climate tell a story of “division,” but the truth is that there’s much more we have in common. Join the Revs. Cathy Zappa and Samantha McKean as we explore together how our identity in Christ shows us a different way to be in the world, empowering us to live into the unity, reconciliation, and love that God offers us in Christ.

Evening Program

Ordinary Saints: How Christ Shines Through the Lives of Everyday People

Sundays, October 6, 13, 20, and 27 in the Undercroft, 6:00 p.m.

This week’s topic: Called to Change

Mother Teresa, Francis of Assisi, Joan of Arc, Martin Luther King—these are the kinds of people who come to mind when you hear the word “saint.” But what about those of us who don’t build orphanages, tame wolves, defend France, or lead great movements of justice? Join us each Sunday in October at 6:00 p.m. in the undercroft as we hear about the extraordinary things God does through seemingly ordinary people. Each week, a different panel of Christ Church members will share their stories of following God’s call (even when they didn’t realize it at the time!). Discover your own story in theirs, and learn how God leads us not to become somebody else, but always to be more truly ourselves: ordinary saints, through whom God does extraordinary acts of love.

Deadline for Vestry Nominations for 2025

If you would like to make a suggestion for vestry service, please contact one of our Wardens, Stephen Rilee or Wash Dender, by today. To be considered for Vestry service, one must be a confirmed communicant, faithful in attendance for worship, active in service to the Church and the world, and make a financial pledge to the ministry of Christ Church. The vestry will formally nominate a Vestry Slate for election in November. We give thanks for those whose vestry

term will conclude in the new year: Katie Griffith, Stephanie Lindley, Roger Moss, Rena Patton, and Stephen Rilee.

Coming Up

Blessing of the Halloween Costumes

Next Sunday, October 27

Children and youth are invited to come to church in costume next Sunday! We will hold a brief "blessing of the Halloween costumes" during the 10:30 a.m. service. Why bless costumes? The celebration of Halloween has a rich Christian history, and dressing up in costume is a way to remember that God prevails over fear, evil, and death. We can laugh at scary costumes because we know that evil, death, and fear do not have the ultimate power. Plus, it's fun!

Emmaus House Empty Bowl Fundraiser

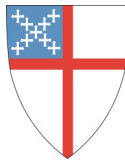
Sunday, November 3, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Christ Church has hosted Emmaus House for over 40 years. Our mission "to provide hearty meals and basic services for the hungry and anyone in need" and toward that end we provide breakfast to anyone, no questions asked, five mornings a week. We also provide

showers and basic laundry service for the unhoused and run a clothing closet. Emmaus House's annual fundraiser, the Empty Bowl, will be in Reynolds Square on Sunday, November 3 from 12-2 p.m. Sponsorships are particularly appreciated, but a ticket to Empty Bowl allows you to enjoy a delicious meal in the same manner that our homeless and hungry patrons do each weekday morning



AND choose a piece of ceramic or wooden local artwork to take home. The "Empty Bowl" itself is symbolic of a lack of food, and is a reminder to all that some people in our community have bowls that remain empty. This year's event is particularly important because our costs, like everyone's, have gone up dramatically, and we are struggling to find the resources to serve the hungry in our community.



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

The Reverend Cathy Zappa, *Interim Rector*

The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *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

9:15 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.