# Second Sunday after the Epiphany Year C

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## CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL

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Welcome to Christ Church! 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" and "Andante cantabile" from *Sonata No. 2*, Op. 65/2

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

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.

Opening Acclamation BCP 355

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

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

Collect for Purity BCP 355

Hymn of Praise Hymnal S-236

Benedictus es, Domine John Rutter (b. 1945)

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant 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*.

#### The Word of God

#### First Lesson

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

chant: June Nixon (b. 1942)

- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, \* and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; \* you save both man and beast, O Lord.
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! \*
  your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; \* you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, \* and in your light we see light.
- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \* and your favor to those who are true of heart.

## **Epistle**

## 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discern-

ment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

Sequence Hymn Hymnal 440

\*\*Blessed Jesus, at thy word Liebster Jesu\*

## Holy Gospel

John 2:1-11

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what con-

cern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to



them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants

who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Reverend David C. Seyle,

United Methodist Pastor-in-Residence

Nicene Creed BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form IV BCP 388
Confession and Absolution BCP 360

The Peace

## The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem Brightest and best of the stars of the morning arr. Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

The text for this anthem can be found at hymn 117 of the Hymnal 1982.

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 B BCP 367

Sanctus & Benedictus Hymnal S-128

William Mathias (1934–1992)

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem, Pascha nostrum	Hymnal S-154
from New Plainsong Mass	David Hurd (b. 1950)

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.

Hymns at Communion	Hymnal 306, 490
Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest	Sursum Corda
I want to walk as a child of the light	Houston
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 366
The Blessing	

Closing Hymn Hymnal 135
Songs of thankfulness and praise Salzburg

Dismissal

Postlude "Finale-Allegro" from Sonata No. 1 for Organ

Florence B. Price (1887–1953)

Art Credit: page 5 – The Marriage at Cana. Jan Cornelisz Vermeyen. 1530. Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam.



## Prayers of the People\*

For the victims of the California wildfires, Ronald Adams, Jennifer Wiggins

In Thanksgiving for the Births of Eden Marie McHugh, born to Hannah and Pat McHugh; and Kevin David Cone, born to Mary Margaret and Thomas Cone

For the Birthdays of Corinne Brown, Roy Yarger, Phil Walters, Isaac Bringman, Huntsman Childs, Yalanda Cooper, Caroline Holden, Maggie Mikell, Jacob Reeves, Helen Claiborne, Christopher Reed-McGlade, Leland Strychalski, Stella Oelschig, Otto Immel, Todd Lerch, Jim Pember, Charlie Sachs, Todd Groce, Oliver Brevik, Mathilde Brevik, Jack Lerch, Reese Bailey, Owen Myers, Baker Sumner, Jeff Bailey, Maureen Bailey, Luke Knittig, Ellie Northup, Kendall Beene, Rich Nelson, Jim Shipley, Richard Beattie, Stuart Childs, Caroline Harper, Carolyn Warren, Albert McGaw, Hannah Kumjian, Ken Brandt, Teddy Fergus, Mills Fleming, Jack Sumner, Charlotte von Trapp, Fay Woodruff, Barrett Benton, Clementine Larvin, Anna Beth Baker, Gigi Bulka, Paige Carson, Jenny Long, John Mikell, Mary Dugas, John Northup, Felicia Burch, Hayes Carson

For the Wedding Anniversaries of Katharine and Chris Logan, Savannah and Will Young, Caroline and Sam Harper, Daniela and Mike Bringman, Karen and Kurt Oelschig

For Those Who Have Died and the Comfort of Their Families: B.J. Megabuck, William Stroud Hitch, Richard Randolph Schulze, Thomas Daniel Chastain, Lillian McAlister

\*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 Genevieve and Walter Rhoads, by CDR Rod and the Rev. Patti Davis.

#### This Week at Christ Church

#### Sunday, January 19 - Second Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 a.m. Episcopal 101

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Blessing of Project Smile

#### Monday, January 20

Church Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

#### Tuesday-Friday, January 21-24

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Docent Tours

#### Wednesday, January 22

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

5:15 p.m. Chorister Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, January 23

5:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Choir Room

#### Next Sunday at Christ Church

## Sunday, January 26 - Third Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 a.m. Episcopal 101

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

12:00 p.m. Foundations of Confirmation

4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong and Annual Parish Meeting

## This Sunday

#### Episcopal 101

Sundays, 9:30 a.m., in the Choir Room

Whether you've been worshiping in the Episcopal Church for years or only just walked through the doors, you are invited to join us as we review the basics of worship, history, and governance of our tradition. Each session will take place at 9:30 a.m. before our Sunday worship service, and will involve a program, discussion, and opportunities for questions.

On March 2 at our 10:30 a.m. service we will be joined by Bishop Frank Logue. During his visit, those who are interested will have the opportunity to receive the rite of Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation. If you are interested in this sacramental rite or have questions, please contact the Rev. Samantha McKean. All who would like to learn more about the Episcopal Church, however, are invited to take part in these sessions, even if you have already been confirmed or received.

## Coming Up

## Thursday Evening Bible Study

In the Choir Room, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

The Reverend Cathy Zappa leads a weekly Bible study on the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome! There is no preparation required. Simply come as you can to spend time in lively discussion, good company, and the good Word.

# Join Episcopalians for the Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade

The Episcopal Diocese of Georgia and St. Matthew's Episcopal Church invite you to join us for the annual Savannah Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade on Monday, January 20 at 10:00 a.m. The parade route begins at East Broad Street and Liberty Street and ends in front of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 1401 M. L. King Jr. Blvd, Savan-

nah, GA 31415. Participants of all ages are welcome! There will be the option to either walk or ride a trolley along the parade route.

#### Foundations of Confirmation

#### First Session: January 26, after Church

Remember, all 6th and 7th grade students are invited to join us for a series of fun sessions to begin preparing for Confirmation classes. During five monthly sessions we will build a group identity and lay a spiritually substantive foundation for the official Confirmation classes (which will start in Fall 2025). Each session will include lunch, plays, and games - laughs are required. For more information please contact John at john.audette@ccesavannah.org.

## **Choral Evensong and Annual Meeting**

#### Sunday, January 26, 4:00 p.m.

Join us and experience the beauty of Choral Evensong, sung by the Christ Church Parish Choir. This service of sung evening prayer lasts about a half hour, and will be followed by the Annual Meeting, an important part of our polity and life together. We will hear updates on various aspects of our common life and mission, review the budget, install new vestry members, and celebrate this past year. Reception to follow in the undercroft.

## Founders' Day Fair

#### Sunday, February 9, after church

Celebrate Christ Church's birthday with us! Immediately after church on Sunday, February 9, we will hold a special outdoor reception to mark the founding of Christ Church, which was established with the Georgia Colony on February 12, 1733. To celebrate, we will enjoy birthday cake and visit different "booths" representing the thriving ministries of Christ Church today, 292 years later. The fair will be a fun and interactive way to enjoy community and learn more about the joy-filled ministries of this congregation.



## CHRIST CHURCH

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
John Audette, Director of Children and Youth Ministries
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
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.