

The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Year C

June 1, 2025
10:30 a.m.



CHRIST CHURCH
EPISCOPAL

THE MOTHER CHURCH OF GEORGIA
ESTABLISHED 1733





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.

Our celebrant this morning is the Rev. Cathy Zappa,
and our preacher is the Rev. Samantha K. McKean.



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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Entrance Rite

Prelude

“Priere du Christ” from *L’Ascension* Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)

Processional

Hymnal 214

Hail the day that sees him rise

Llanfair

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

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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.

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal S-278

Gloria in excelsis

William Mathias (1934–1992)

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Word of God

First Lesson

Acts 16:16–34

Reader A reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.” She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.” The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an

earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.

Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same



hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 97 *Dominus regnavit*

BCP 726

Sung by the choir. chant: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)

1 The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; *

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O Lord.
- 9 For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.

Epistle **Revelation 22:12–14,16–17,20–21**

Reader A reading from The Revelation to John.

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”
And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”
And let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn
Jerusalem the golden

Hymnal 624
Ewing

Holy Gospel

John 17:20–26

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. “I ask not only on behalf



of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you

have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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

Nicene Creed BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form III BCP 387

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Haec dies

William Byrd (ca. 1543–1623)

Sung in Latin. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia. (*Psalms 118:24*)

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-125

from *A Community Mass* Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S-155
<i>Christ our Passover</i>	Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)
<i>All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail, or receive from the floor station to the left of the chancel stairs. 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 382
<i>King of glory, King of peace</i>	<i>General Seminary</i>
<i>When a Eucharistic Visit is scheduled</i>	
Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors	
<i>Deacon</i>	In the name of this congregation, 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.
<i>People</i>	We, who are many, are one body, because we are one in Jesus Christ.
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing	
Closing Hymn	Hymnal 215
<i>See the Conqueror mounts in triumph</i>	<i>In Babilone</i>
Dismissal	
<i>Deacon</i>	Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.
Postlude	<i>Prelude and Fugue in B major, Op. 7 No. 1</i> Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

Art Credit: page 5—St. Paul and Silas in Prison, Michael Václav Halbax. Circa 1700. National Gallery, Prague.

Art Credit: page 7—Anastasis Scene, Circa 14th century, Chora Museum, Istanbul, Turkey.



Prayers of the People*

For our Rector Search Committee Lord, please watch over the search committee as they continue the process of the search for a new rector, blessing them as they work to develop a parish profile and job description for the candidate, then to publish the opportunity to invite interested candidates. Let them feel the Holy Spirit guiding them through this process by listening and discerning. Let them put their whole trust in You as we go through this search.

Please also watch over the Christ Church congregation and friends of Christ Church during this time, giving them patience and trust. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

For Helen Downing, Phil Hyuck

For the Birthdays of Emily Hughes, Crawford Lerch, Chris Logan, Isabella Maynard, Joy Schwartz, Mrs. Lawrence Carson, Stephen Gerard, Gene Marshall, Harris Brown, Jamie Cartright, Rivers Hall, Carter Hubbard Jr., Caroline Keller, John Alford, Carly Gardner, Clay Bush, George Fergus, Jim Gerhart, Keating Taylor, Catharine Varnedoe, Becky Milmine, Vivi Cate Blessing, Janet Kuhn, Tillie Macfadyen, Frank Wood, McKenzie Lynah, Bob Christian, Audrey Agyei-Gyamfi, Litchfield Carpenter, John Mason, John McGinn, Jay Howington, Smith McGinn, Nora Smith, Hermina Glass-Hill, John Lutz, Jack Audette, Heather Crampton, Shannon Hill, Molly Taylor, William Holden, Max Audette, Frank Chappell, Audrey Griffith, Harris Stone, Liz Williams, Denton Stone, Sarah Craig, Kathie Guild, 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, Lynn and Hudson Harrison, Emma and Adam Reardon, Kate and Edgar Smith, 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, Tina and Tom Mulhare, Molly and Geoff Taylor, Lane and Bill Lynch

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

Diana Frances Freeman DeVoe, John Curry, Mark Forssell

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

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our vestry and rector search committee.

If you would like to dedicate the altar flowers in memory or in thanksgiving of a loved one, please contact Catherine Gussler.

This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, June 1 - The Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

12:00 p.m. Newcomer Docent Tour

Wednesday, June 4

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

7:30 p.m. Vanderbilt Youth Choir in Concert

Thursday, June 5

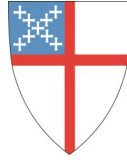
5:00 p.m. Bible Study: *Gospel of Luke*, Choir Room

Next Sunday at Christ Church

Sunday, June 8 - The Day of Pentecost

8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



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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*

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

Washington C. Dender, *Senior Warden*; Paul H. Threlkeld, *Junior Warden*;

Lindsey A. Eberle, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Stephen R. Rilee, *Treasurer*;

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

Patton Dugas; William C. Gruver;

Elizabeth L. Macfadyen; Rosemary W. Mackey;

Richard C. Nelson; Paul D. Reddick; Sarah B. Smith;

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

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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.