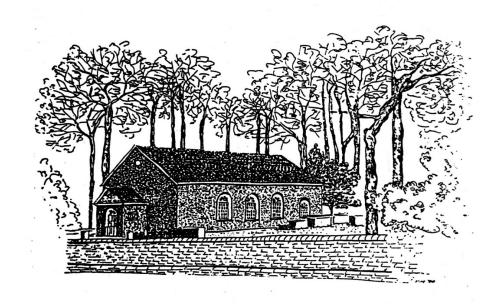
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Rite II



Christ Church Parish, Saluda, VA (Episcopal) Founded 1666 August 3, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Before the service, speak to God in the silence of your heart.

During the service, let God speak to you through

Word and Sacrament.

After the service, speak with your neighbor!

Christ Church Parish Mission Statement

We are a family of faith, growing in Christ through worship, learning, and service, who strive to love God and to love our neighbors as ourselves

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite II- August 3, 2025

Open Voluntary

Processional Hymn 365 "Come Thou Almighty King"



The Word of God

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A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung. The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant may say

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*.

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The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.** Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

A Reading from The Book of Hosea: (Hosea 11:1-11).

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.

The more I called them, the more they went from me;

they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them.

I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love.

I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks.

I bent down to them and fed them.

They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me.

The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes.

My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.

How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel?

How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?

My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.

I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim;

for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion;

when he roars,

his children shall come trembling from the west.

They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-9,43

Confitemini Domino

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- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west.

from the north and from the south.

4 Some wandered in desert wastes; *

they found no way to a city where they might dwell.

5 They were hungry and thirsty; *

their spirits languished within them.

- 6 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He put their feet on a straight path * to go to a city where they might dwell.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the thirsty * and fills the hungry with good things.
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things, * and consider well the mercies of the LORD.

The Epistle is from The Letter to the Colossians: (Colossians 3:1-11)

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek

and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 335 "I am Bread of Life"



Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: (Luke12: 13-21). Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord. **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

The Sermon

Rev. Dr. Robert Prichard

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People- Form IV

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Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory

Offertory Hymn 711 "Seek Ye First"

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God And His righteousness And all these things shall be added unto you Allelu Alleluia Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and you shall find Knock and the door shall be opened unto you Allelu Alleluia Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Holy Communion

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Eucharistic Prayer C

The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

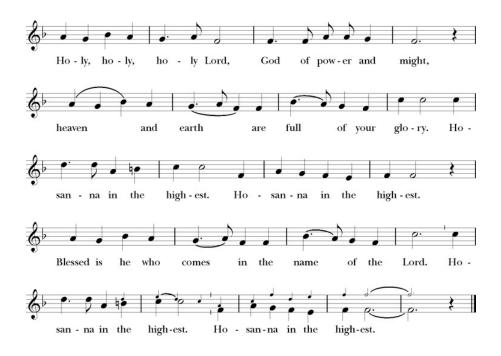
By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People-

Sanctus (Hymn S-125)



The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

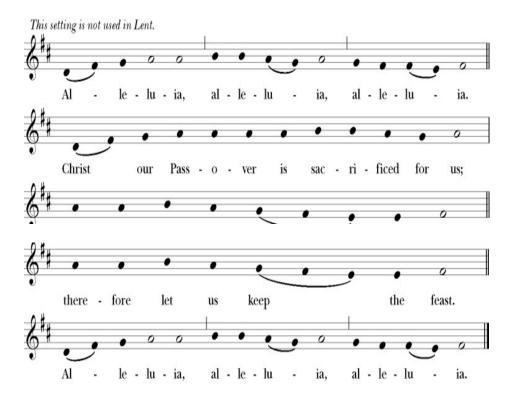
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For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

Fraction Hymn (S-154) "Christ Our Passover"



Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Communion Hymn 325 "Let Us Break Bread Together"



After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

Recessional Hymn 376 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"



The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Those on our Prayer List: Lurlene Samuel, Robin Wells, Jim Padgett, Ann Donoff, Joyce Reisinger, Taylor Johnson, Colt Johnson, Br. Christopher Hamlett, Joanne Bruce, Lucille Redmon, Tim Schwartz, Louise Woods, Cyndy Bristow, Levi, Elizabeth Foley, Andrea Mac-Fall, John Wilson, Garry Clay, Helen Tarran, Barbara Cockrell, Bruce Forsberg, Bill Brown, Dolly Cronk, Diane Martin, The Rev. Stuart Wood, Bob Armstrong, Linda Irwin, Susie Armstrong, Brenda Brizendine, Jim Hill, Russell Buxton, Jeannie Alcott.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating their birthday this week: Merri Hanson, Vernon W. Norris, Jr., Delois Greenwood, and those celebrating their anniversaries: Bill & Sue Newman, John & Judy Quilter, and Don & Ann Harris.

We pray for our Diocese, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: the celebration of the $100^{\rm th}$ Anniversary of Shrine Mont camp and Conference Center in Orkney Springs, Virginia.

Rev. Randi Hicks will participate in continuing education from July 21 to August 3 and will be on vacation from August 4 to August 10.

We thank our musicians, Rev. Peg Moncure, Alyson Holt, and Barbara Gill, for leading and assisting us with our music today. Monica and Katherine will return next week.

Worship Notes

In the liturgical calendar, we are now in "the Season after Pentecost," which extends through summer and fall until Advent. Some may remember that we called this Trinity Season in editions of the Book of Common Prayer before 1979. Roman Catholics call this season "Ordinary Time," which refers to the sequential numbering of the weeks. Methodists call the season Kingdomtide after the final Sunday of the season, which is dedicated to Christ the King. Whatever the title, however, this season after Pentecost highlights the growth and maturation of the church and its faithful. It emphasizes our living out our faith in everyday life, not just during special occasions such as Eastertide and Christmas. The liturgical color for the season is green because it symbolizes growth and hope. At our 10:30 services, we will use Eucharistic Prayer C because its words refer to God's work in creation and throughout time, which fits well with the themes of green and growth. The gospel readings we'll hear in worship during this season will present the life and work of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE Holy Eucharist: Rite I 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant/Sermon The Rev. Dr. Rober Prichard
Deacon The Rev. Peg Moncure
Acolyte/Lector Jeff Shaw
Usher Don Harris

Morning Prayer: Rite II 10:30 a.m.

Officiant/Sermon The Rev. Dr. Robert Prichard Deacon The Rev. Peg Moncure The Rev. Peg Moncure Guitarist **Grace Parker** Gosp Bk bearer/Prayers/Euch.Min. Crucifer/Acolyte Jack Hellems Lector Lydia Dudley Ushers Ann Padgett, Jim Dudley Altar Guild Cean Cawthorn, Barbara Shaw, Lydia

Dudley, Grace Parker, Virginia Miller, Marilyn South,

Flower Guild Cean Cawthorn, Jeannie Alcott
Tech Team Greg Grichtmeier, Ann de Peyster, Mike
Floyd, Jeff Loustaunau, Rusty Spears, Monica
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NURSERY is provided upon request in the Parish Hall.
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Jeannette Adkins '27 Evie Wilton '27 Monica Melendez '27