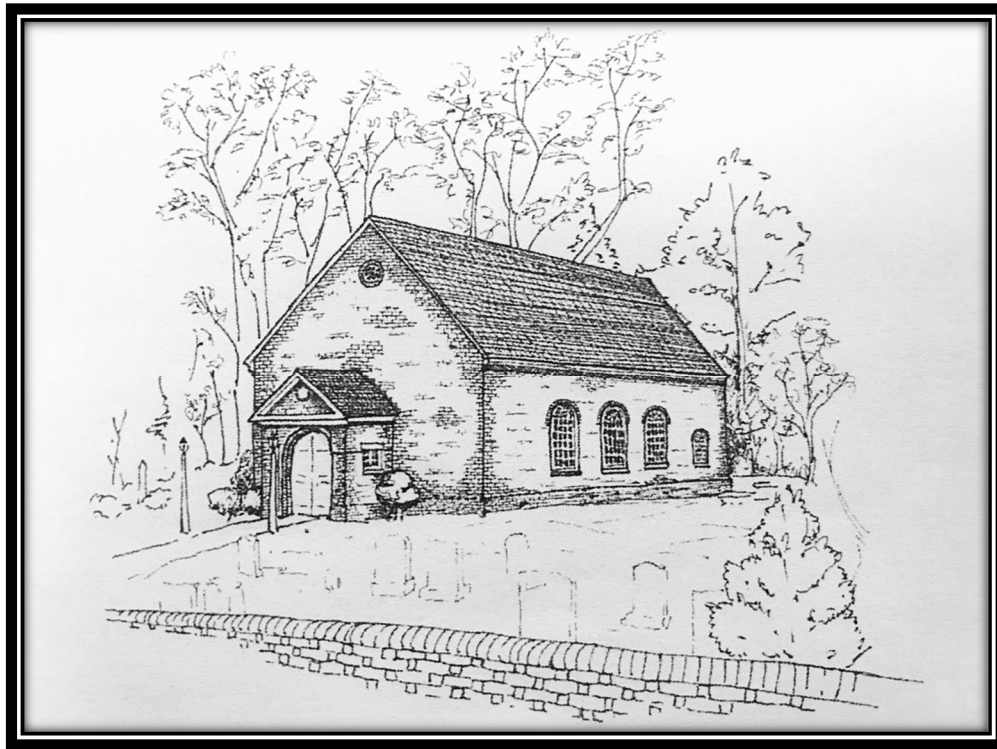


Welcome to Christ Church Parish
(Episcopal)

December 1, 2024

10:30 a.m.

The First Sunday of Advent



Founded in 1666

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 First Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist: Rite II – December 1, 2024

Opening Voluntary	“Trumpet Tune on Hark! The Glad Sound”	
	by Dennis Janzer	
Processional Hymn 72	“Hark! The Glad Sound”	<i>Richmond</i>
Opening Sentences		BCP Page 355
The Kyrie (Hymnal S-96)		BCP Page 356
THE WORD OF GOD		
The Collect of the Day		BCP Page 211
First Lesson		Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalms 25:1-9	<i>Ad te, Domine, levavi</i>	BCP Page 614
Second Lesson		1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Sequence Hymn 53	“Once He Came in Blessing”	<i>Gottes Sohn ist kommen</i>
Gospel		Luke 21:25-36
The Sermon		The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
The Nicene Creed		BCP Page 358
The Prayers of the People: Form IV		BCP Page 392
The Confession and Absolution		BCP Page 360
The Peace		BCP Page 360
Offertory Anthem	“The Day of the Lord is Coming” (Flutist – Monica Melendez)	Arr. by Scot Crandal
The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer A		BCP Page 361
Sanctus and Benedictus (Hymnal S-130)		BCP Page 362
Lord’s Prayer		BCP Page 364
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP Page 364
Angus Dei (Hymnal S-164)		BCP Page 364
Communion Voluntary	“Ascension”	by Robert Benson
Communion Hymn 75	“There’s a Voice in the Wilderness Crying”	<i>Ascension</i>
The Post Communion Prayer		BCP Page 365
The Blessing		
Recessional Hymn 74	“Blest Be the King Whose Coming”	<i>Valet will ich dir geben</i>
Dismissal: Let us go forth in the name of Christ		
People: Thanks be to God.		
Closing Voluntary	“Valet Will Ich Der Geben”	by Anthony Giamanco

The Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Psalm 25:1-9

Ad, te, Domine, levavi

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week

Those on our Prayer List: The Rev. Peg Moncure, Lurlene Samuel, Robin Wells, Jim Padgett, Ann Donoff, Joyce Reisinger, Taylor Johnson, Colt Johnson, Br. Christopher Hamlett, Joanne Bruce, Lucille Redmon, Lovey Jane Long, Tim Schwartz, Denise Brown, Louise Woods, Cyndy Bristow, Levi, Elizabeth Foley, Andrea Mac-Fall, John Wilson, Garry Clay, Helen Tarran, Barbara Cockrell, John Hilliard, Bruce Forsberg, Mike Gorin, Bill Brown, Roxie Jones, Phil Brown.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating their birthday this week: Anne Donoff, Mary Anne Harris-White, Barbee Phipps, Jean Holt, Ellie Wilton, and Jim Hill.

We pray for our Diocese, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray in thanksgiving for God's Creation and those who care for it.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Holy Eucharist: Rite I 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant/Sermon	The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
Deacon	The Rev. Peg Moncure
Acolyte/Lector	Lindsay Adkins
Usher	Henry Moncure

Holy Eucharist: Rite II 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant/Sermon	The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
Deacon	The Rev. Peg Moncure
Organist –	Libby Boyer
Gosp. Bk. Bearer / Prayers / Euch. Min.	Jack Hellems
Lector	Pat Anderson
Crucifer / Acolyte	John Hilliard
Ushers	Jeff & Susie Loustaunau
Altar Guild	Cean Cawthorn, Barbara Shaw, Lydia Dudley, Grace Parker, Linda Irwin
Flower Guild	Cean Cawthorn, Libby Boyer
Tech Team	Greg Grichtmeier, Ann de Peyster, Mike Floyd, Mike Gorin, Jeff Loustaunau, Rusty Spears, Monica Melendez, & Jack Fackler

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Karen Brown'24	Tom Clarke '26
Garry Clay '24	Rick Smith '26
Ann de Peyster '24	Anne Wilcox '26
Henry Moncure '25	