

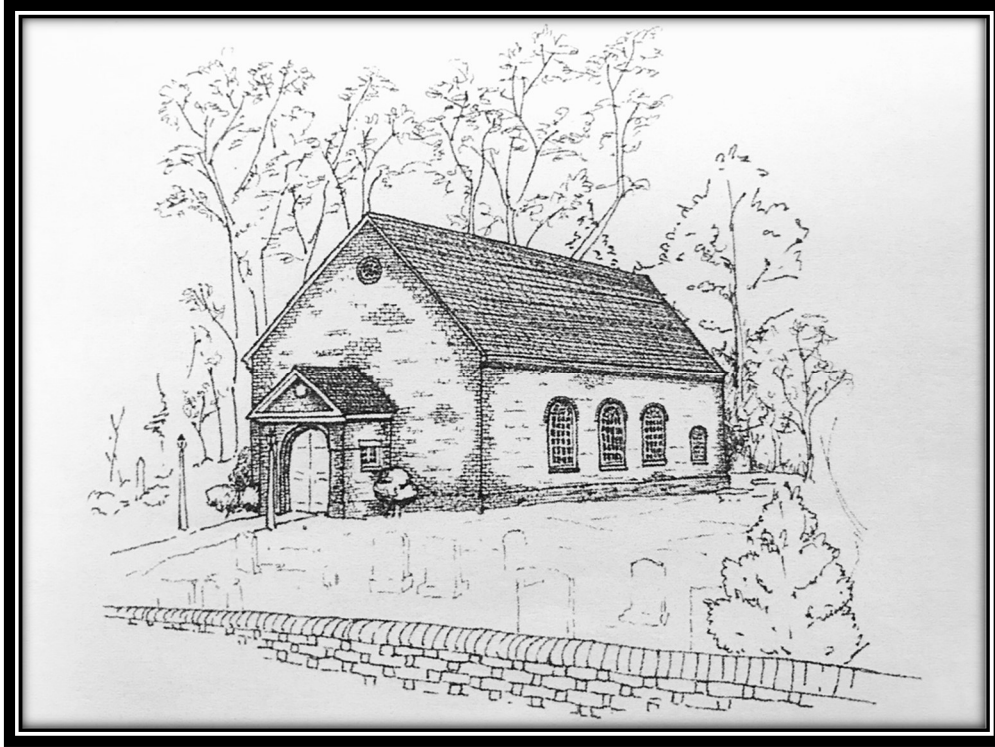
*Welcome to Christ Church Parish*

*(Episcopal)*

*January 28, 2024*

*10:30 a.m.*

*The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany*



*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 Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany  
Holy Eucharist: Rite II – January 28, 2024

*Jesus's authority is manifested in his deeds and words.*

Opening Voluntary *Avinu Malkeinu* – Our Father, Our King  
*Ose Shalom* – The Peacemaker Christina Harmon

Proc. Hymn 432 *O Praise Ye the Lord*

Opening Sentences BCP Page 355

The Gloria (S-278)

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day (*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany*) BCP Page 215

First Lesson Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalms 111 BCP Page 754

Second Lesson I Corinthians 8:1-13

Sequence Hymn 536 *God Has Spoken to His People*

Gospel Mark 1:21-28

The Sermon The Rev. Stuart Clary Wood

The Nicene Creed BCP Page 292

The Prayers of the People: Form III BCP Page 387

The Confession and Absolution BCP Page 360

Healing Service *Be Still* Ashly Grote

The Peace BCP Page 360

Offertory Anthem *Shalom, Chaverim!* Setting by John Carter

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Officiant* Gracious God,  
accept the offering of your Church,  
the hearts of your people  
joined in praise and thanksgiving,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. *Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer B BCP Page 367

Sanctus (S-128) BCP Page 367

The Lord's Prayer BCP Page 364

Breaking of the Bread:

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

*All* Though we are many, we are one body, because we  
all share in one bread.

Giving of Communion:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

*All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Communion (choir) *One Bread, One Body*

Post Communion Hymn 333 *Now the Silence*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP Page 365

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 401 *The God of Abraham Praise*

The Dismissal: Go in the peace of Christ.

*People Thanks be to God.*

Closing Voluntary *Yigdal*

Michael Burkhardt

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The First Lesson

## Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

## Psalm 111

*Confitebor tibi*

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, \*  
**in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**

2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! \*

**they are studied by all who delight in them.**

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*

**and his righteousness endures for ever.**

- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \*  
**the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; \*  
**he is ever mindful of his covenant.**
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works \*  
**in giving them the lands of the nations.**
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
**all his commandments are sure.**
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
**because they are done in truth and equity.**
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
**holy and awesome is his Name.**
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
**those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise endures for ever.**

### **The Epistle**

### **I Corinthians 8:1-13**

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

### **The Gospel**

### **Mark 1:21-28**

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as

the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

**Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:**

Those on our Prayer List: Lindsay Adkins, Jack Tarran, Helen Tarran, Tom Cockrell, Mike Gorin, Betty Evans, Ann Donoff, Zubin, Taylor Johnson, Shannon Budd, Lori Rexinger, Br. Christopher Hamlett, Joanne Bruce, Lucille Redmon, Jennifer Montague, Jean Crown Hodges, Cole Sullivan, Keith Callis, Trip Poates, Colt Johnson, Lovey Jane Long, Judy Erdman, and Mary Breeden.

We give thanks with those celebrating their birthdays this week: Donna Gates, and Charles Nance; and those celebrating their anniversaries: Robin & Sally Wells.

We pray for our Parish Discernment Committee as they carry on their work.

We pray for our Diocese and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and parishioners of St. James Mt. Vernon – Alexandria, St. Philip's – Richmond, and Vauters - Loretto.

**The mid-week Eucharist will be celebrated on Wednesday  
Morning this week at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel.**

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