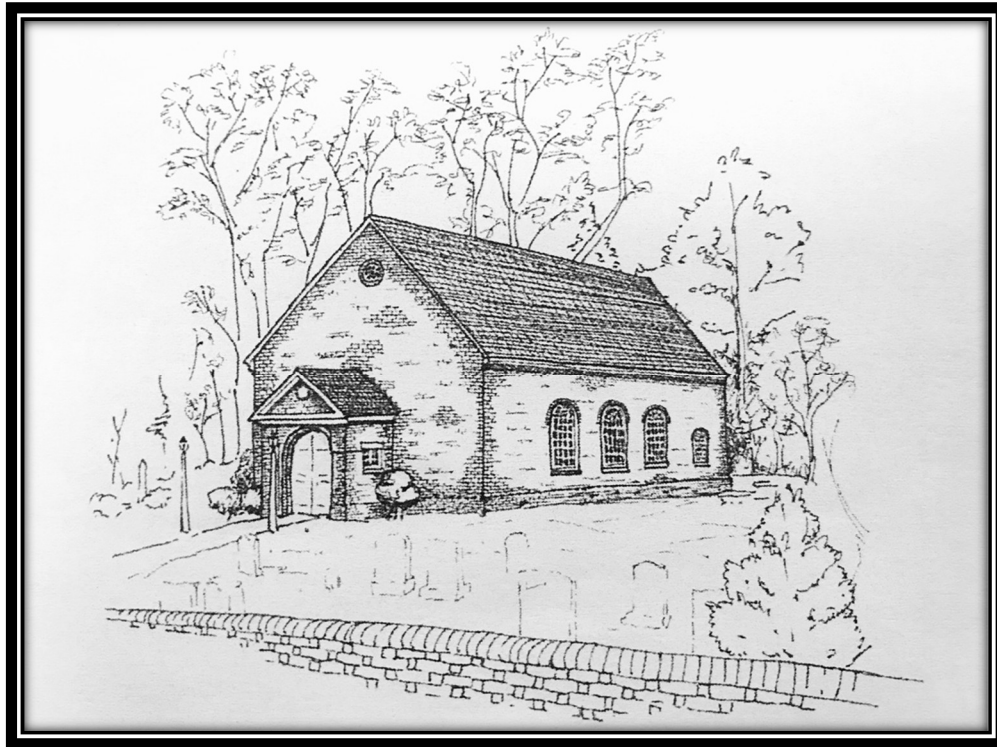


*Welcome to Christ Church Parish
(Episcopal)
May 11, 2025
10:30 a.m.
The Fourth Sunday of Easter*



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 of Easter
Holy Eucharist: Rite II – May 11, 2025

Voluntary “*Recuerdos de la Alhambra*” by Francisco Tarrega
(Monica Melendez- flutist)

Processional Hymn 473 *Crucifer* “*Lift High the Cross*”
Opening Sentences and Prayer BCP Page 355
Gloria BCP Page 356

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day BCP Page 225
First Lesson Acts 9: 36-43
Psalm 23 *Domínus regit me* BCP Page 612
Second Lesson Revelation 7: 9-17
Sequence Hymn 366 *Grosser Gott* “*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*”
The Gospel John 10:22-30
Sermon Rev. Peg Moncure
The Prayers of the People Form VI BCP Page 392
The Peace BCP Page 360
Offertory Anthem “*Sheep May Safely Graze*”
(Monica Melendez- flutist) by JS Bach

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer D BCP Page 372
Sanctus (Hymn S-125) “*Holy, Holy, Holy*”
Lord’s Prayer BCP Page 364
The Breaking of the Bread: BCP Page 364
Fraction Hymn S-154~ Cantor and Congregation “*Christ Our Passover*”
The Giving of Communion
Communion Hymn 343 *St. Agnes* “*Shepherd of Souks*”
The Prayer of Thanksgiving BCP Page 365
The Blessing
Recessional Hymn 334 *Alles est an Gottes Segen*
“*Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*”
Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia
People *Thanks be to God., Alleluia, Alleluia*
Closing Voluntary “*Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*” by Mark Sedio

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
*
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Epistle

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Gospel

John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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, Denise Brown, Louise Woods, Cyndy Bristow, Levi, Elizabeth Foley, Andrea Mac-Fall, John Wilson, Garry Clay, Helen Tarran, Barbara Cockrell, John Hilliard, Bruce Forsberg, Bill Brown, Dolly Cronk, Ellen Johnson, Diane Martin, The Rev. Stuart Wood.

We give thanks for those celebrating their birthday this week: Suzi "Hutchens" Hctor, Mary Jo Atterholt, Bob Prichard, Victoria Rosendahl, Helen Tarran and those celebrating an anniversary: Rick Smith & Delois Greenwood, Mike & Harriette Floyd.

We pray for our Diocese and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: St. John's, McLean; St. Mary's, Goochland; and Trinity, Manassas.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

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

Celebrant	The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
Deacon/ Sermon	The Rev. Peg Moncure
Acolyte / Lector / Eucharistic Minister	Jeanette Adkins
Usher	John Quilter

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

Celebrant	The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
Deacon/Sermon	The Rev. Peg Moncure, Deacon
Organist	Katherine Chrishon
Gospel Book / Prayers / Euch. Minister	Grace Parker
Crucifer / Acolyte	Tom Clarke
Lector	Jeff McClelland
Ushers	Karen Gorin, Betsy Evans
Altar Guild	Bev Hart, Evie Wilton, Kathy Clarke, Susan Hilliard, Kathryn Humphreys
Flower Guild	Alyson Holt, Harriette Floyd
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Tom Clarke '26

Monica Melendez '27