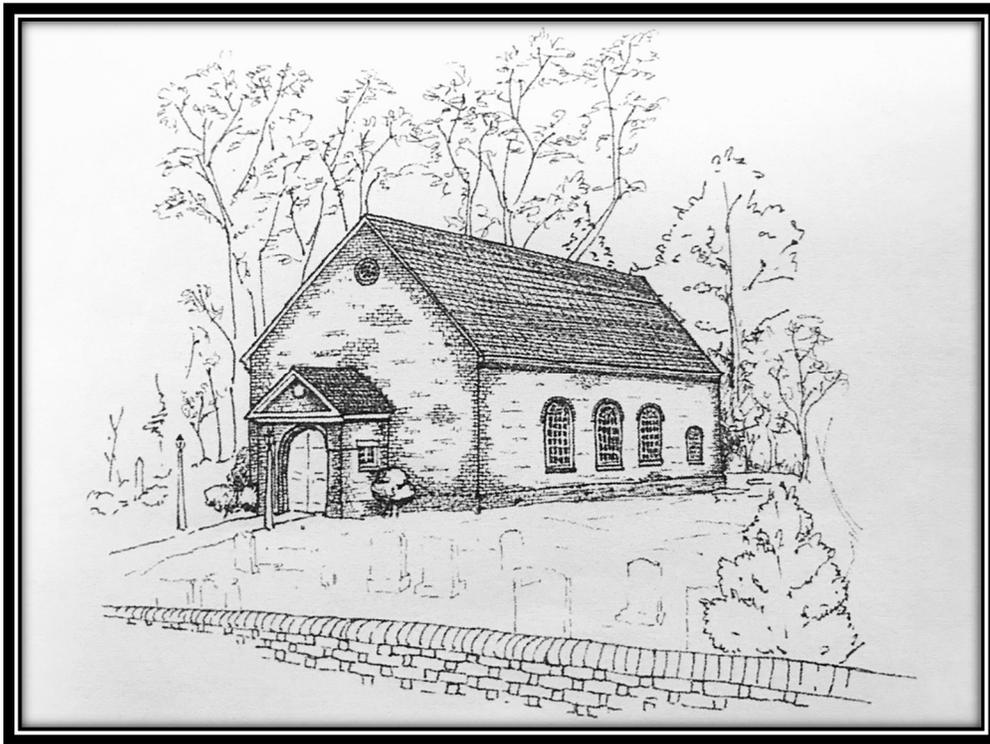


Welcome to Christ Church Parish  
*(Episcopal)*  
*April 27, 2025*  
*10:30 a.m.*  
*The Second Sunday of Easter*



*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.*

Holy Eucharist: Rite II – April 27, 2025  
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Opening Voluntary	“Adagio from Sonata No 1”	by Felix Mendelssohn
Opening Hymn 192	<i>Vruechten</i>	“This Joyful Eastertide”
Opening Sentences		BCP Page 355
Hymn of Praise (Hymnal S-236)	Canticle 13)	<i>Benedictus es, Domine</i>
THE WORD OF GOD		
The Collect of the Day		BCP Page 224
First Lesson		Acts 5:27-32
Psalms 150:1-6	<i>Laudate Dominum</i>	BCP Page 807
Second Lesson		Revelation 1:4-8
Sequence Hymn 209	<i>St Botolph</i>	“We Walk By Faith”
Gospel		John 20:19-31
The Sermon		The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
The Nicene Creed		BCP Page 358
The Prayers of the People: Form VI		BCP Page 392
The Peace		BCP Page 360
Offertory	“O Sons and Daughters”	by Anne Krentz Organ
The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer D		BCP Page 372
Sanctus (Hymnal S-125)	“Holy, Holy, Holy”	
Lord's Prayer		BCP Page 364
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP Page 364
Fraction- Cantor and Choir (Hymnal S-151)		“Christ Our Passover”
Communion Hymn 305	<i>Rosedale</i>	“Come, Risen Lord”
The Post Communion Prayer		BCP Page 365
The Blessing		
Recessional Hymn 182	<i>Truro</i>	“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”
Closing Voluntary	“Fanfare on Christ is Alive”	by Paul Fey
Dismissal: Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia		
People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia		

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the

fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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**

**Acts 5:27-32**

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

## **Psalm 150:1-6**

*Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
**praise him in the firmament of his power.**
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; \*  
**praise him for his excellent greatness.**
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
**praise him with lyre and harp.**
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; \*  
**praise him with strings and pipe.**
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
**praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.**
- 6 Let everything that has breath \*  
**praise the LORD. Hallelujah!**

## **The Epistle**

**Revelation 1:4-8**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am

the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

## **The Gospel**

## **John 20: 19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jane and Oliver Clarke and Jenny Wright- Given by the Family.**

## **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, 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, Bill Brown, Dolly Cronk, Ellen Johnson, Diane Martin., Stuart Wood, Mike Floyd, Betty Evans, Libby Boyer.

We give thanks for those celebrating their birthday this week: Nigel Mac-Fall, Sue Newman, Judy Mansfield, and those celebrating their anniversary: Joey & Kathryn Humphreys.

We pray for our Diocese and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Buck Mountain, Earlysville; Good Shepherd, Bluemont, St. Paul's, Alexandria; St. Paul's Memorial, Charlottesville.

**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	Judy Quilter, Barbara Shaw
Usher	Bill Budd

**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.	Ann Padgett
Lector	Jeff McClelland
Crucifer / Acolyte	Grace Parker
Ushers	Pat & Roland Anderson
Altar Guild	Karen Gorin, Judy Quilter, Judi Snider, Ann Padgett
Flower Guild	Mary Anne Harris-White, Cindy Naylor
Tech Team	Greg Grichtmeier, Ann de Peyster, Mike Floyd, Jeff Loustaunau, Rusty Spears, Monica Melendez, & Jack Fackler

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Bill Budd – Senior Warden '25	
Scott Holt- Junior Warden '25	
Henry Moncure '25	
Tom Clarke '26	Jeannette Adkins '27
Rick Smith '26	Evie Wilton '27
Anne Wilcox '26	Monica Melendez '27