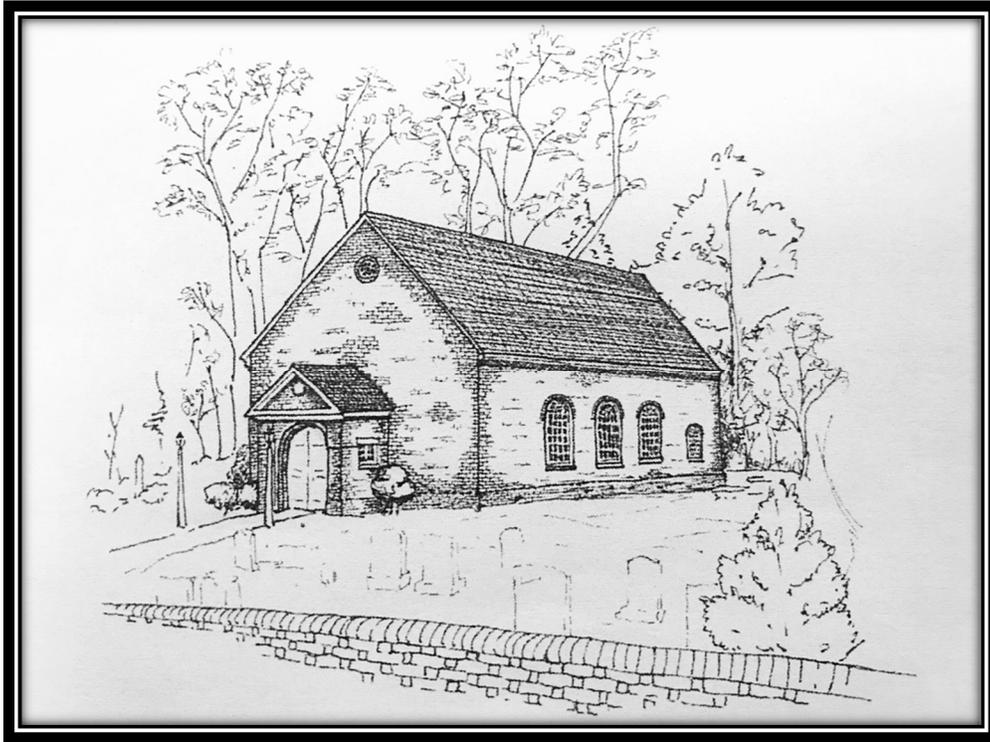


*Welcome to Christ Church Parish
(Episcopal)
May 25, 2025
10:30 a.m.
The Sixth Sunday of Easter*



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 Sixth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist: Rite II – May 25, 2025

Opening Voluntary ccc “Ode to Joy” ccc by Ludwig van Beethoven
Arr. for Organ by Katherine Chrishon
Processional Hymn 525 *Aurelia* “The Church’s One Foundation”
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 16: 9-15
Psalm 67 *Deus misereatur* BCP Page 675
Second Lesson Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
Sequence Hymn 490 *Houston* “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”
The Gospel John 14:23-29
Sermon Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
The Prayers of the People Form VI BCP Page 392
The Peace BCP Page 360
Offertory Hymn 390 *Lobe den Herren* “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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 “One Bread, One Body” by John Foley
The Prayer of Thanksgiving BCP Page 365
The Blessing
Recessional Hymn 473 *Crucifer* “Lift High the Cross”
Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia
People Thanks be to God., Alleluia, Alleluia
Closing Voluntary “Wachet Auf from Cantata 140” by JS Bach

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 16: 9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Psalm 67

Deus misereatur

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Epistle

Revelation 21:10,22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its

light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Gospel

John 14:23-29

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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, Bob Armstrong.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Bob Phipps, Cean Cawthorn, Ginny Gale, Renee Loustaunau, Barbara Gill, and those celebrating an anniversary: Howard and Joyce Reisinger, Bob and Monica Prichard, Jim and Ann Padgett.

We pray for our Diocese, and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: All Christian Formation leaders and seekers.

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 / Eucharistic Minister	Jody Anglin
Usher	John Quilter

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

Celebrant/ Sermon	The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe
Deacon	The Rev. Peg Moncure
Organist	Katherine Chrishon
Gospel Book / Prayers / Euch. Minister	Grace Parker
Crucifer / Acolyte	Jeff McClelland
Lector	Pat Anderson
Ushers	Karen Gorin, Betsy Evans
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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Scott Holt – Junior Warden ' 25	
Henry Moncure'25	
Rick Smith '26	Jeanette Adkins '27
Anne Wilcox '26	Evie Wilton '27
Tom Clarke '26	Monica Melendez '27