

Receiving Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church
All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion, the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. This is done by holding out your hands to receive the bread. To receive the wine guide the chalice to your lips, or dip the bread into the wine. You may choose not to receive the wine. If you do not wish to receive Communion or have not been baptized, you may come forward to receive a blessing from the priest. Please indicate this by folding your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available to those who need them, and are kept and administered separately from the other wafers. Please indicate your desire for a gluten-free wafer to the priest. If you have not been baptized and wish to be, please speak to one of the priests following the service.

If you are unable to come forward to receive Holy Communion, please notify an usher and the clergy will bring the sacrament to you in your pew.

Serving in Worship Today

The Rev. Lindy Bunch, Celebrant
The Rev. Scott Fleischer, Preacher
The Rev. Kellie Wilson, Assisting
Kevin Mertens & Nelson Arrington, Vergers
CC Sterling & Bryan Hiott, Lay Readers
Donald W. Duncan, Director of Liturgy & Music
The Christ Church Parish Choir
The Christ Church Altar Guild

The Prayers of the People

As we pray, please remember the following:
Janie Ballew, Carlton Bruner, Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry,
Jane Crowder, Joe MacCabe, Cory Riedl, Linda Robertson,
Charlotte Scott, John Waldrop, Knox Haynsworth, Katie Burns

Altar Flowers

The greens on the altar are given to the glory of Almighty God and in memory of her parents, Ruth and Alton Jackson, by Fay Towell.

Blessing of New Altar Linens

Today we will bless a new fair linen for use on the altar at the great festivals of the church year. This beautiful new handmade fair linen is presented for blessing by the Christ Church Altar Guild in memory of Colleen Agee Rixey (September 10, 1926 - March 6, 2022). For many years Colleen faithfully served and guided the Altar Guild of this parish, and it is with gratitude to God for her faithfulness that this gift is offered. .

Christ Church Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Daniel P. Richards
Bishop

The Rev. Dr. Harrison McLeod
Rector

The Rev. Kellie Wilson
Senior Associate Rector

The Rev. Scott Fleischer
Associate for Pastoral Care

The Rev. Lindy Bunch
Associate for Parish Life

The Rev. Wallace Adams-Riley
CCES Senior Chaplain

Regular Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Markley Chapel
10:30 AM Family Eucharist, Rite II
Markley Chapel
10:30 AM Traditional Eucharist, Rite II
Historic Church

Sunday Evening
First Sunday of the Month
5:00 PM Choral Evensong
Historic Church
All other Sundays of the Month
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Markley Chapel

Second Sunday of the Month
3:00 PM Rhythms of Grace
Markley Chapel

First & Third Tuesdays of the Month
5:30 PM Healing Eucharist, Rite II
Markley Chapel

Wednesday
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Markley Chapel

Christ Church Vestry

Bill Hardaway
Senior Warden

Bryant Nixon
Junior Warden

Class of 2024

Julie Haas

Dexter Hagy

Kay Jenkins

Paul Landis

Class of 2025

Betsy Baumgardner

Betty Parker Ellis

Martha Louise Lewis

Norma Givens

Class of 2026

Smyth McKissick, IV

Mary Holt Murphy

Phil Peterson

Angelle Reichert

Ministry Area Leaders

Christ Church offers an extensive array of ministries.
Contact one of these staff members to learn more.

Faith Development
The Rev. Kellie Wilson

Faith in Action
Kevin Mertens

Liturgy and Music
Donald W. Duncan

Parish Life
The Rev. Lindy Bunch

Pastoral Care
The Rev. Scott Fleischer

Christ Church Preschool
Christine Skelton

Support
Suzanne Mize

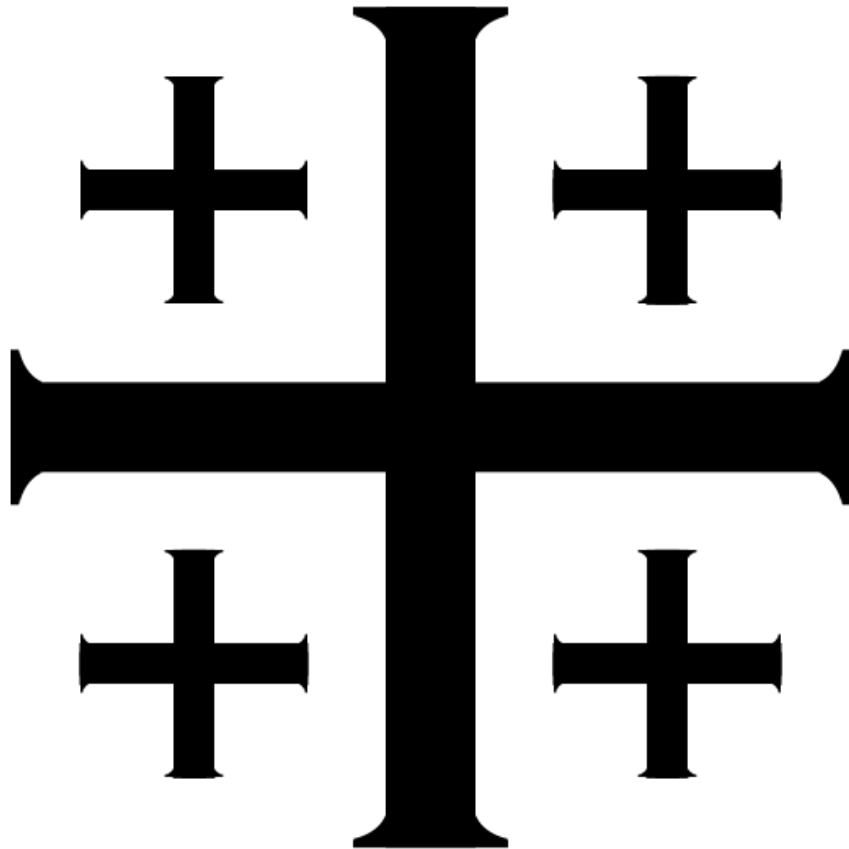
Communications
Jessica St. Clair Smith

Resource Development
Kristin Bennett

WORSHIP LEAFLET

Sunday, March 10, 2024

The Fourth Sunday in Lent



Historic Church Service
10:30 AM



CHRIST CHURCH

EPISCOPAL

A JOYFUL COMMUNITY
SHARING LIFE IN JESUS CHRIST

Welcome to Worship at Christ Church
Welcome to this service of worship. We are glad that you have chosen to join us today. In order to assist you in following the service, this worship leaflet provides an outline of today’s liturgy. The text of the prayers and other liturgical materials is found in the **Book of Common Prayer** (small red book in pew rack) and the corresponding page numbers in this book are indicated in the worship leaflet by the abbreviation BCP. The hymns and service music are found in the blue **Hymnal 1982** and the corresponding numbers in this book are indicated in the worship leaflet by No. or S. Instructions for receiving Holy Communion are listed on the outside panel of this leaflet.

The Word of God

Organ Voluntary Donald W. Duncan, Director of Liturgy & Music

The congregation stands at the sound of the tower bell.

The Hymn in Procession, No. 152 *(standing)* Kind Maker of the world

A Penitential Order: Rite Two **Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 351**
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sin.
His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue *(kneeling)* **BCP 350**

Confession and Absolution **BCP 352**

The congregation stands and joins in singing the Kyrie where marked “All.”

Kyrie eleison (Hymnal, S-88) *(standing)* McNeil Robinson

Collect of the Day: Fourth Sunday in Lent **BCP 219**
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *(seated)*

The Epistle Lesson *(seated)*

Sequence Hymn, No. 498 *(standing)* Beneath the cross of Jesus

*During the singing of the Sequence Hymn young children are invited to follow the children’s crucifer to Children’s Church, held in St. Luke’s Chapel.
Children are encouraged to bring an offering with them for the collection.*

The Gospel

The Sermon *(seated)* The Rev. Scott Fleischer

The Nicene Creed *(standing)* **BCP 358**

Prayers of the People: Form I *(kneeling)* **BCP 383**

The Peace *(standing)* **BCP 360**

The Holy Communion

Anthem at the Offertory Christ Church Parish Choir
*Turn thee, again, O Lord at the last
and be gracious unto thy servants. Amen.*

Text | Psalm 90:13
Music | Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

Presentation Hymn sung to the tune WAREHAM
O saving Victim, opening wide
the gate of heaven to us below,
our foes press on from every side,
thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend
for evermore, blest One in Three;
O grant us life that shall not end
in our true native land with thee.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

Sanctus et Benedictus (Hymnal, S-124) David Hurd

*During the season of Lent,
the congregation kneels following the Sanctus et Benedictus.*

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei (Hymnal, S-161) David Hurd

Ministration of the Sacrament

Communion Music
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Anglican Chant by Andrew Seivewright

Communion Anthem
*My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord;
with my mouth will I be ever shewing thy truth
from one generation to another.*

Text | Psalm 89:1
Music | Godfrey Sampson (1902-1949)

If Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent out this week, the following is said:

The Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors
In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer *(kneeling)* **BCP 366**

Solemn Prayer over the People

*During Lent the blessing is omitted
and the celebrant offers a solemn prayer over the people,
after which the people respond: Amen.*

Hymn in Procession, No. 559 *(standing)* Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

Dismissal **BCP 366**

*In keeping with the solemnity of the Lenten season,
a festive closing organ voluntary will not be played.*

Readings for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

The First Lesson **Numbers 21:4-9**
From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson **Ephesians 2:1-10**
You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Lesson **John 3:14-21**
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.