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 bapitzed, 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.

The Prayers of the People

As we pray, please remember the following: Cory, Janie Ballew, Barbara Bolt, Jane Crowder, Jimmie Ruth Hannon, Stephanie Martin, Gay Peden, Jim & Charlotte Scott, Joy Smitherman

Serving in Worship Today

The Rev. Kellie Wilson, Celebrant & Preacher Susan Conway & Wes Clarke, Lay Readers The Christ Church Parish Choir Donald W. Duncan, Director of Liturgy & Music The Christ Church Altar Guild

Lenten Liturgical Changes

Today is the First Sunday in Lent - the season of preparation, self-reflection, and self-examination that lead us to the joyful celebration of the Paschal Feast. You will notice that there are several changes in the liturgy to mark this change in liturgical season and to highlight the penitential nature of Lent. This includes a change in posture and form for many of our prayers, as well as the use of more restrained music during this time.

During Lent we will hear more readings of Holy Scripture proclaimed during the liturgy, and the clergy will not give verbal announcements about parish activities. These changes are intended to draw us deeper into prayer and relationship as we focus on the life and passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, thus allowing us to joyfully celebrate his resurrection with a renewed focus on him at the end of our Lenten journey.

Christ Church Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Daniel P. Richards

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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

Weekly Worship Services

Sunday

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

5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Markley Chapel

First Tuesday 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 NixonJunior Warden

Betsy Baumgardner
Faith Development

Betsy Elliott Pastoral Care

Betty Parker Ellis
Communications
New Member Ministries

Sam Erwin Outreach Norma Givens Worship

Dexter HagyResource Development

Julie HaasParish Life

Kay Jenkins Engagement

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Martha Louise Lewis CCEP & CCES

Phil Peterson Hospitality

Cindy PoeGrounds

Chris Klasing *Treasurer*

Nelson Arrington, III Assistant Treasurer

Cecil Nelson Chancellor

Wade Kolb Assistant Chancellor

Josh Hudson Secretary of the Vestry

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

Christ Church Preschool
Christine Skelton

Faith in Action
Kevin Mertens

Support **Suzanne Mize**

Liturgy and Music

Donald W. Duncan

Communications

Jessica St. Clair Smith

Parish Life
The Rev. Lindy Bunch

Resource Development

Kristin Bennett

Pastoral Care
The Rev. Scott Fleischer



CHRIST CHURCH

A JOYFUL COMMUNITY SHARING LIFE IN JESUS CHRIST

WORSHIP LEAFLET



The First Sunday in Lent HISTORIC CHURCH FEBRUARY 26, 2023 10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

In preparation for the service, we invite your quiet prayers and ask that you please silence your cell phone.

*An asterisk indicates that the congregation should stand, as able.

The Word of God

In keeping with the solemnity of the First Sunday in Lent, an opening organ voluntary will not be played today.

The congregation stands at the sound of the tower bell.

* The Great Litany in Procession

Refer to insert in leaflet.

* Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Lesson Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The Epistle Lesson Romans 5:12-19

* **Sequence Hymn, No. 150** Forty days and forty nights

* The Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

The Sermon The Rev. Kellie Wilson

* The Nicene Creed BCP 358

Confession of Sin BCP 360

* The Peace BCP 360

Words of Welcome

During Lent the clergy will not give verbal announcements relating to parish activities. You are encouraged to review the Community News and our parish website and social media channels for ongoing opportunities relating to worship, formation, fellowship, and outreach.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentences

Anthem at the Offertory

Christ Church Parish Choir

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge. But forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart, before thee now and evermore. Amen.

Text: from Henry Bull's Christian Prayers & Holy Meditations, 1566

Music: Richard Farrant (c 1525-1580)

* 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, Hymnal S-124

David Hurd

Fraction Anthem, Hymnal S-153

Ambrosian Chant

Invitation to the Table

Ministration of the Sacrament

Agnus Dei, Hymnal S-161

David Hurd

Communion Music

Hymn No. 343
Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
Hymn No. 635
If thou but trust in God to guide thee

The congregation kneels for the Post Communion Prayer and Solemn Prayer over the People.

Post Communion Prayer

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. 143

The glory of these forty days

* Dismissal BCP 366

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

Readings for the First Sunday in Lent

The Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson

Romans 5:12-19

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 4:1-11

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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