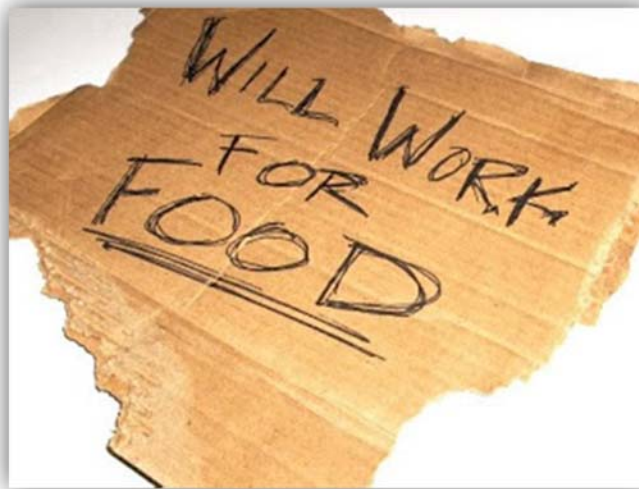




## The Last Sunday after Pentecost

November 26, 2017

9:30 a.m.



### Welcome to Christ Church

We're delighted you're here!

Everything you need for full participation in the service is in this bulletin.

If you are new, we invite you to fill out a pew card  
so we might get to know you better.

Today we offer Holy Eucharist at 8:00 & 9:30am and Compline at 5:30pm.

# The Holy Eucharist – Rite II

## THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary

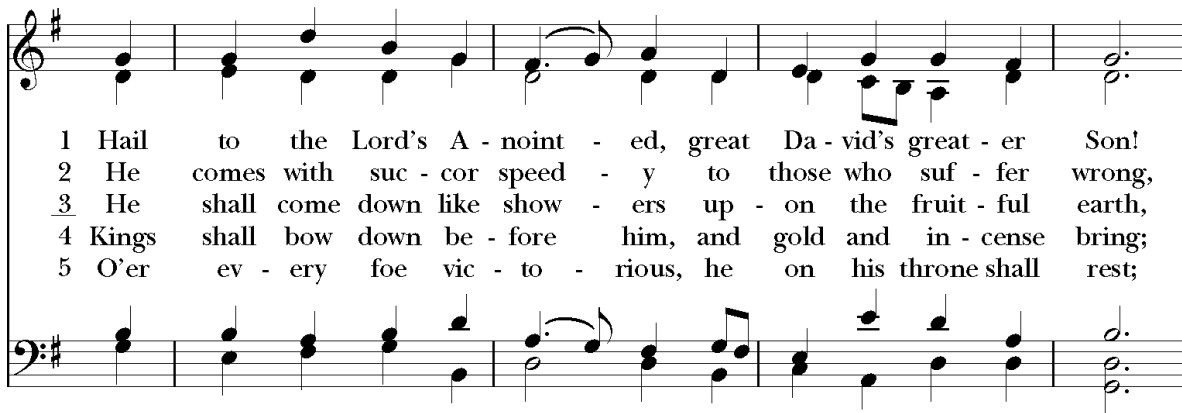
Prelude and Fugue in E minor (Cathedral)  
(BWV 533)

J. S. Bach  
(1685-1750)

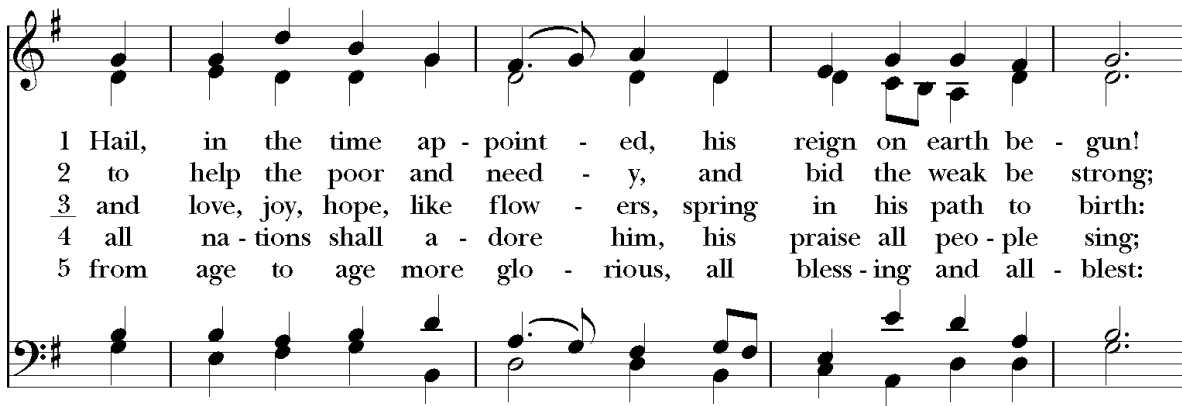
*We offer this organ voluntary to open your mind for meditation and your heart for prayer.*

Hymn 616 (*stand*)

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*



1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:  
4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - ges - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

### Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Presider* Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*All* Amen.

### The First Reading *(sit)* Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

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Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

*Reader*            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People*             Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 100** (*read responsively*)

- 1     May all lands be joyful before you, O God, \*  
      serve with gladness  
      and come before your presence with a song.
- 2     For we know that you are God; \*  
      you yourself have made us, and we are yours;  
      we are your people and the sheep of your pasture.
- 3     We shall enter your gates with thanksgiving,  
      go into your courts with praise, \*  
      give thanks to you and call upon your Name.
- 4     For you are good;  
      your mercy is everlasting; \*  
      and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

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**The Second Reading**

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader*            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People*             Thanks be to God.

Hymn 435 (stand)

King's Weston



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,  
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name  
 3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,  
 4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;  
 2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
 3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,  
 4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord  
 2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
 3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;  
 4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
 2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;  
 3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.  
 4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to

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drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

**The Sermon** (*sit*)

The Rev. Christopher Powell

**The Nicene Creed** (*stand*)

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Prayers of the People** (*stand or kneel*)

Form IV

- Leader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in  
your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. . .  
(*Silence*) . . . Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.
- Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice  
and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. . .  
(*Silence*) . . . Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.
- Leader* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use  
its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. . .  
(*Silence*) . . . Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.
- Leader* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may  
serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. . . (*Silence*) . . .  
Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.
- Leader* Comfort and heal all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; Comfort and heal  
all those on our parish prayer list, and those we remember now, silently or  
aloud. . . (*Silence*) . . . Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and  
bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.
- Leader* We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially . . . that your will  
for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in  
your eternal kingdom. . . (*Silence*) . . . Lord in your mercy
- People* Hear our prayer.

## The Confession

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Silence)*

*All* Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through  
our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the  
power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* Amen.

## The Peace *(stand)*

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The ministers and assembly greet one another in the peace of Christ.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem

*Almighty and Everlasting God*

Orlando Gibbons

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our  
dangers and necessities, stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us: through  
Christ our Lord. Amen.



Hymn at the Presentation (*stand*)

Old 100<sup>th</sup>

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Presider* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* We lift them to the Lord.  
*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; Who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus & Benedictus

Organ

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -  
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*All are invited either to remain standing or to kneel.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All* Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*All are welcome to receive the sacraments of our Lord. Those not wishing to receive communion are invited to the altar for a blessing: simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate this preference. Please tell the priest if you require gluten-free bread and chalice. Please tell an usher if the clergy should bring the sacraments to someone in your pew.*

Hymn 306 (sung by all, seated or kneeling)

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;  
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met;  
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take,  
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,

may, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;  
 thou at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:  
 one Church u - ni - ted in com - mun - ion blest;  
 who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest  
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet:  
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break,  
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;

in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.  
 faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.  
 with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.  
 be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

**Anthem**

*O Come, Ye Servants*

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just, and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known: Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

**The Postcommunion Prayer** (*stand or kneel*)

*All*        Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
              you have graciously accepted us as living members  
              of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
              and you have fed us with spiritual food  
              in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
              Send us now into the world in peace,  
              and grant us strength and courage  
              to love and serve you  
              with gladness and singleness of heart;  
              through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing**

**Hymn 460** (*stand*)

(*see next page →*)

*Hyfrydol*

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
 \*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
 \*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of the  
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

**The Dismissal**

*Priest* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*If you wish, please come forward into the choir stalls  
 to listen to the organ voluntary.*

**Voluntary**

**Trumpet Tune**

**John Stanley  
 (1712-1786)**

Today's altar flowers are given by  
 Peter Voysey and the Rev. Stephen Voysey  
 in memory of their parents  
 Frank Voysey, Betty Voysey, and  
 Eleanor MacDonald Voysey.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- » Anglican Cycle of Prayer – (Sudan) The Rt Revd Saman Farajalla Mahdi.
- » Diocesan Cycle of Prayer – *Organizations of Episcopal Charities & Community Services*: Bishop Anderson House; Cathedral Counseling Center; ReVive Center; Lawrence Hall; The Church Home at Montgomery Place; Primo Center for Women & Children *And for organizations of our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk* .
- » Those serving in our armed forces, especially: James Kowalski, Derek McGee, Nick Powell, James Bird, Matt, Chris Wypyski, Zachery Taylor.
- » The sick and those in any need or trouble, especially: Dan, Jerry, Todd Nielsen, Tricia Cramer, Elliston Morris, David Benedict, The Maskal Family, Brett Lowry, Ansel Rogers, Laurie, Bob Fox, Woody Imberman, Max Rempel, Richard Libles, Bob Julian, Beth, Barbara Lore Mayo, Isidiro Ruiz, Carolyn Sanders, Bret, Lisa Linn, Beth, Larry, Noah, Kristie, Myra Fuguet, Loren.

### Lifting Up Our Prayers

We keep an ongoing parish prayer list in the church office. Please stop by or call the church office to enter your prayer requests. Unless you indicate otherwise, names will be kept for one month's time. Friends in Faith, as well as our lay chaplains and our clergy, will be lifting up these names in prayer. Private prayer needs may be shared with the clergy at any time. Each prayer is an opening to God's healing grace at work in our lives.

### Altar Flowers

The flowers that decorate the altar at Christ Church are given by members or friends of the parish, often in memory or honor of, someone special -- or in thanksgiving for a special blessing or event. The names you designate will appear in the Sunday bulletin and be read during the service. If you would like to make a flower memorial, contact Jetta Boschen at [jettaboschen@gmail.com](mailto:jettaboschen@gmail.com) or call the Parish Office (847) 446-2850. *You can also submit your request and payment online.* Go to our website: [christchurchwinnetka.org](http://christchurchwinnetka.org)>Give>Flower.



## PARISH EVENTS

### Church School Classes - Today

Today, we have Church School classes only for the Good Shepherd and True Vine Atria, 9:30-the Peace. No classes after the service due to Thanksgiving break.

### Pre-Ordered Christmas Wreaths: Pick Up Today

Your pre-ordered Christmas wreaths from our Youth Choir are on the patio for you to pick up today. A few extras also may be available for sale on a first come, first served basis. Sarah Generes will be on the patio if you are interested. Our youth choristers thank you for your orders, which are helping support their tour to sing at St. Philip's Cathedral in Atlanta this February.

### Advent Wreaths

Advent wreaths are available in the Prevost Cloister. They are beautiful faux pine with berries.

### Tis the Season! Christmas Angels – We Still Have 18 Families to Adopt

Are you looking to make a difference in the life of someone in need this Christmas? Now you can be an Angel! The Christ Church Christmas Angels Program is one of our largest and most important outreach ministries. **How Can You Help?**

- You can adopt a family –Sign up online, or come to the Prevost Cloister after today's service.
- You can donate funds which will be used to cover the cost of gifts for senior citizens, Episcopal Agency residents, and New Trier families.

Questions? Contact Julie Flood at 847-903-2390 or [jwflood@att.net](mailto:jwflood@att.net)

### Vestry Nominating Committee Receiving Names-Deadline is Dec. 1

Our parish by-laws require the Rector to appoint a committee of four retiring Vestry members and at least five other parish members to the parish Nominating Committee. They are to nominate a slate of four people for an upcoming Vestry term of three years each. This year we have an additional nomination to fill a one year unexpired term. In addition, we need to nominate a Junior Warden for a term of one year to be followed by a year as Senior Warden. If you have a nomination to make, please send that parish member's name to Office Manager Charlotte McGee. Nominees must be 16 or older. Parish nominations close **Friday, December 1**. The committee meets on Sunday, December 3. Please email your suggestions to Charlotte McGee, our Office Manager, at [charlotte@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:charlotte@christchurchwinnetka.org).

## **Service of Lessons & Carols – Sunday, Dec. 3**

Music for this liturgy will include beautiful, traditional readings, hymns, and anthems for the season of Advent. The opening procession will be a highlight of the service and will include the singing of "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" accompanied by handbells and organ (a great reason to arrive for church on time that morning, if you possibly can!)

## **New Trier Food Pantry – Sunday, Dec. 3**

Our next Food Pantry collection day will be Sunday, Dec. 3. The pantry will be serving more families who have children home from school over the holidays, meaning those children won't be able to take advantage of breakfast and lunch programs at their schools. With that in mind, we will focus on collecting the following most-needed items from the Pantry's wish list: \* **Juice and Juice Boxes**, \* **Cookies/Crackers/Granola Bars/Raisins/other Healthy Snacks**, \* **Canned Fruit**, \* **Cake/Brownie/Muffin Mixes and other baking supplies**.

Please bring your donations to the Prevost Cloister next Sunday. If you forget to add items to your grocery cart that week, we will have items available for "purchase." Did you know that when you "purchase" items on pantry intake days, any amount beyond what we spent on the available items is used to purchase fresh produce for the pantry??

If you have questions, please see Nancy Challenger, Debbie Ross or Sarah Generes. Thank you as always for your tremendous support of this ministry!!

## **Christmas Pageant Sign-Up!**

All children and youth are invited to join us for our Christmas Pageant, "The Nativity of Christ," to be performed Dec. 17 at the 9:30am service. Our beautiful and low-stress pageant requires no memorizing of lines, only one rehearsal for the older children, and no rehearsal at all for ages three through 2nd grade (although Primary Choir does have rehearsal.). We have roles to suit everyone: Mary, Joseph, Baby Jesus, angels, shepherds, sheep, and friendly beasts. Plus narrators, scene directors, and behind the scenes helpers. Costumes provided. Please sign up on our website or send an email with requested roles to [melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org).

## **Be an Angel: Wrapping Workshops: We Need YOU!!**

Tuesday, 12/5 5-7pm

Saturday, 12/9 10am-2pm

We will be wrapping presents at the Parish House in the, 470 Maple, for many clients at ReVive, Grace House, the Primo Center, and other social service organizations in Chicago. (This effort is in addition to a family that you choose to adopt on your own.) Children are welcome to attend with your supervision. If you have a question, please contact Elizabeth Parkinson [e3parkinson@gmail.com](mailto:e3parkinson@gmail.com) 847-910-8932 or Margaret Lamason [mlamason@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mlamason@sbcglobal.net) 847-997-3325.

**Feed My Starving Children – Dec. 9 – Sat. – 9:00-11:00am –  
We still need 18 people.**

Christ Church will travel to Libertyville to help Feed My Starving Children. We have decided to carpool instead of spending the money on tour buses. We will gather in the parking lot of Christ Church behind the 470 Maple Street address at 7:45am. We will leave promptly at 8:00am. We will return at noon. **Sign Up Today!** Email Phil Krone at [pkrone@productivestrategies.com](mailto:pkrone@productivestrategies.com). They accept volunteers as young as 5 when accompanied by an adult. This means that for families with small children, this can be an event that everyone can participate in together.

**Wrap & Roll Caroling Party – Sun., Dec. 10 – 4:00-7:30pm**

It's (almost) that time of year! Mark your calendars and call your family and friends—the caroling party is around the corner. Thrown by the youth and parents of our congregation, we will wrap presents for the homeless, eat dinner (and Christmas cookies!) together, sing carols, and get a visit from St. Christopher—I mean St. Nicholas! It's a great time to celebrate with your church family and introduce your friends and relatives to our church community. There's a recommended donation of \$15/person and \$30 total per family, but no need to RSVP. The more the merrier, so save the date!

**Christmas Open House at the Rectory: Friday, Dec. 15**

Christopher Powell invites you to join him for some Christmas cheer at the Rectory 458 Maple Street, Winnetka on Friday, Dec. 16 from 4:00 to 8:00pm. Please RSVP to the office at 847-446-2850.

**Christmas Eve – Sunday - 12/24 Services**

10:00am – The Fourth Sunday in Advent

3:00pm - Holy Eucharist with Carols – Nursery is open

8:00pm - Holy Eucharist with Choir (Carols begin at 7:30pm)

11:00pm - Holy Eucharist with Choir (Carols begin at 10:30pm)

**Calling All Grand Receipts – Deadline for 2017 is Dec. 27**

The Grand has donated over \$2,250 so far in 2017 to our Youth Ministry from your submitted receipts and the efforts of Volunteer Extraordinaire Willie Dooley. The Grand has a strict deadline that no 2017 receipts can be submitted after January 5. Therefore, we ask you to turn in all receipts by December 27 for processing. Receptacles for receipts are located in the Prevost Cloister and the Parish Office. Thank you!

## Update - The Power of Grace! -- Grace House

A tremendous thank you to you, the parishioners of Christ Church who came out to welcome and support Michele, Zee, Nicole and Tina from Grace House for their "Power of Grace!" performance. The success of that performance has landed them two additional upcoming gigs! Ticket sales and donations totaling \$2,100 will be turned over to Grace House as a result of your generous contributions. That is truly the "Power of Grace!"


## Pledge Updates for 2018

We currently have 147 families who have made their pledge increasing our total to \$832,000. We are 76% of the way towards our goal of \$1.1 million for 2018. Pledge cards and envelopes are available in the back of the Church. You may fill one out and place in the Alms Basin any Sunday at the Offertory. You may also pledge online on our website or simply call our Finance Manager, Cindy Lyman, at 847.446.2850 ex. 23 or via email: cindylyman@christchurchwinnetka.org.

## Christmas Donations for Flowers & Music

Please return this form with check to the Parish Office. Gifts received by Dec. 14 will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletins. You may also donate online.

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	<i>My Contribution for Christmas Flowers</i> <input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Music</i> <input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>In Memory of or Thanksgiving for</i> _____ _____
<i>Donor's Name</i> _____	

Everyone is invited to attend Shay Craig's Ordination to the Diaconate.  
Candy Pyle will be presenting Shay on behalf of Christ Church.



By the grace of God  
and with the consent of the people of God,  
*The Right Reverend Jeffrey Lee*  
Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago  
will ordain

*Joseph Butler*  
*Shay Craig*  
*Brian Prall*  
*Scott Lybrand Zaucha*

To the Sacred Order of Deacons in  
Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church  
Saturday, December 16, 2017  
*11 o'clock in the morning*  
St. James Cathedral  
65 E. Huron Street  
Chicago,, Illinois

*Your prayers and presence are requested.*  
*Reception to follow ∞ The festival color is white.*

Thursday Evening Advent Programs – Nov. 30, Dec. 7 & Dec. 14  
*Sunday Worship in the Episcopal Church: How We Got Here*

6:15pm - Compline in Church  
6:30pm - Supper  
7:00pm - Program  
7:45pm – Dismissal (in time for 8:00pm Choir Practice)

November 30—Richard Clemmitt

*Why We Sing What We Sing When We Sing*

Richard will take us through the beginnings of liturgical music from before the time of Jesus through the modern day. Learn what we have adapted from the Temple in Jerusalem to the place of Gregorian Chant to ancient and modern Hymnody. It's no accident that we sing the hymns we do.

December 7—Nadia Stefko

*Why We Pray the Way We Pray When We Pray: Liturgy of the Word*

Go to a Shabbat service at a synagogue on Friday night, you might be surprised to discover how familiar it feels. We have adapted Jewish rituals back to the time of Solomon's Temple. We have also adapted pieces of our service from the Greek Mystery Religions from Jesus's day. This portion of our program will cover from the Opening sentences to the Peace.

December 14—Christopher Powell

*Why We Pray the Way We Pray When We Pray: Liturgy of the Table*

This forms the second part of our Episcopal Service each Sunday. The earliest written copies come from the second century. Discover the principles present in each prayer that tie together everything from Basil of Caesarea in 387 AD to Elizabethan versions present in the first prayer book of 1549 to other contemporary Eucharistic Prayers.

The Nursery will be open all evening and we will also have a homework and crafts table set up for any older children who wish to use it.

## ON-GOING OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### **A Just Harvest**

Christ Church serves twice a month at A Just Harvest, a community kitchen, in Rogers Park, serving dinner 365 days a year to anyone in need. This is a great family opportunity to “reach out.” We need cooks (done in your home), servers (age 12+), and people to provide milk, fruit, and salad each time we are “on deck.” To learn more go to: <http://www.christchurchwinnetka.org/a-just-harvest>.

### **Serve on the Altar: Acolyte**

Carry the cross and gospel book, light the way for the word of God by bearing the torches, and help prepare the communion table for the Eucharist. Young people of all ages are encouraged to join! The only requirements are that an acolyte must be able to participate in an entire church service and handle fire responsibly. In addition to helping serve on the altar, acolytes earn increasing levels of achievement, displayed in their crosses and ribbons. We also have parties and celebrate together! If you are interested, please contact Jim McGee at [jvm@mostlymcgee.com](mailto:jvm@mostlymcgee.com).

### **Come Sing with Us**

Christ Church offers excellent and fun choirs for both youth and adults. Details about our Music Program can be found on our website. Please contact Richard Clemmitt at [rclemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:rclemmitt@christchurchwinnetka.org) for more information. We'd love to have you with us!

## ON-GOING GROUPS

### **Friends in Faith – Mondays 10:00-11:00am**

The Friends in Faith are always eager to welcome new friends. Please join us on Monday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00am in the Lea Room at the Church House. Our time together consists of ten minutes of silent meditation followed by lively conversation of a spiritual nature based on a different topic each week. We end the hour by praying for the people on the parish prayer list. Contact Elizabeth Clemmitt with any questions at [ecl Emmitt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ecl Emmitt@sbcglobal.net).

### **Book Group – Mondays 11:00am-12:00pm**

We are reading: The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for New Beginnings, by respected spiritual leader, peacemaker and scholar John Philip Newell. So far we are really enjoying this exciting and timely read about the future of the Church. Book Group meets every Monday morning 11:00-12:00 in the McClain Room. We typically read one chapter per week. Contact Melissa Durbin with any questions at [melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org).

### **Exploring Grief Support Group Monday – Nov. 27**

Kenilworth Union, Samaritan Counseling Center, and Winnetka Congregational Church join with Christ Church to provide a free, confidential, supportive, and educational environment to grieve the loss of a friend or loved one. Register for Exploring Grief Group Fall Session: The group meets every other Monday from 7:00-8:30pm at Kenilworth Union in their Library through December 11. All community residents are welcome to participate. For more information and to register for the fall 6-week sessions, contact Joellen Hosler: 847-446-6955, ext.19.

### **Centering Prayer – Tuesdays - 2:00-3:00pm**

The Centering Prayer Group meets on Tuesdays from 2:00-3:00pm in the Lea Room of the Church House. Centering Prayer is a Christian form of silent meditation which alleviates stress, focuses the mind, and deepens our experience of God's presence within us. Please join us for twenty minutes of peaceful meditation followed by discussion and readings about Centering Prayer. Feel free to come occasionally or come every week. Contact Elizabeth Clemmitt with any questions at [ecl Emmitt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ecl Emmitt@sbcglobal.net) or 312-618-1238.

### **Men's Lunch Group – Wednesday, Dec. 20 - 12:30pm**

Once a month, some of the men of Christ Church meet for lunch. It's an informal opportunity for fellowship with no agenda and no fixed membership. Conversation ranges from updates on children and grandchildren to debates on economics, politics, technology, and theology. If you can make lunch in Winnetka at Little Ricky's on the third Wednesday of the month and categorize yourself among the men of Christ Church, please join us. Contact Jim McGee at [jim@mostlymcgee.com](mailto:jim@mostlymcgee.com) for more information.



### **Eucharist at The Mather – Wednesday, Dec. 13 - 10:30am**

We offer a monthly Communion Service (second Wednesday of every month) for the families and residents of The Mather, 425 Davis Street, Evanston. Led at 10:30am by Rod Quainton. Contact Rod at [fatherq@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:fatherq@christchurchwinnetka.org).

### **Women's Bible Study – Thursdays - 9:30-11:00am**

The weekly Women's Bible Study Group meets Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:00am in the Parish House Library. Visitors and newcomers are warmly welcome. Questions? Email Nadia Stefko at [nadia@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:nadia@christchurchwinnetka.org).

### **'Sunrise' Eucharist – Thurs., Dec. 14 – 11:15am**

We offer a monthly Communion Service (second Thursday of every month) for the families and residents of Sunrise Memory Care in Wilmette. Led at 11:15am by Rod Quainton with support from choir members. Contact Rod at [fatherq@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:fatherq@christchurchwinnetka.org).

### **Holy Caffeine – Fridays - 8:30-9:30am**

This discussion group meets Friday mornings from 8:30-9:30am in the Lea Room. Christopher Powell leads the group in the study and discussion of scripture. All are welcome! For more information, contact Christopher at 847-868-5611 or [christopher@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:christopher@christchurchwinnetka.org).

## PASTORAL CARE

If you are facing illness, a life transition or challenging circumstances, please contact one of our clergy. We are available when you need us for a hospital, home, or office visit. Christ Church also has many lay volunteers who provide meals and rides as needed. Please reach out to the clergy through the office by calling (847) 446-2850, or:

Christopher Powell, Rector - (847) 868-5611 christopher@christchurchwinnetka.org

Nadia Stefko, Associate Rector - (773) 387-9128 nadia@christchurchwinnetka.org

Rod Quainton, Assisting Priest - (248) 225-9682 fatherq@christchurchwinnetka.org

### **Lay Chaplains: Bringing the Warmth of Christ Church to You**

Trained parishioners visit those who are homebound, ill, or facing a time of grief or crisis. Lay Chaplains provide companionship and support, and may pray with you, or share communion (from the reserved sacrament) if desired. The chaplains serve under the training and leadership of our clergy. To request a visit, just call the office or contact Nadia Stefko 773-387-9128, nadia@christchurchwinnetka.org.

### **AED Life Saving Device Available in Prevost Cloister**

There is a permanent AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) available in the Prevost Cloister. Most of our clergy and many parishioners have been trained in its use in case of a cardiac incident. In addition, the step by step instructions are very simple to follow. Hopefully this AED will never be used, but it is there in case of an emergency. There is also an AED in the foyer of the Parish House, 470 Maple.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### **Elves Off the Shelves – Baking Event**

Calling all Christ Church youth! Our Youth Ministry team is hosting our annual Elves off the Shelves baking event Saturday, December 2, 1:00- 3:00pm, at the home of the Walkers, 859 Sheridan Rd., Winnetka. We are baking Christmas cookies to send to our college students. Bring your friends too! Families of college students, please send your student's address so they can receive a package of Christmas cookies in time for finals! Send to [melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org](mailto:melissa@christchurchwinnetka.org).

### **Peer Ministry Training for Grades 7-12**

Next class is Sun. December 10 following the 9:30 service. It is not too late to join the program! Please contact Jennifer Baker, Diane Krieman, Laura Sniader or Emily Baillos with any questions.

### **CCD: Coffee, Christ, and Donuts**

Calling all high schoolers. The next CCD is Wed. Dec. 6, 7:15am at Walker Brothers in Wilmette. Your host is Frances DeBlasio and maybe a surprise guest too! Breakfast is on us and rides to school are available.

Vergers	William Roberts
Acolytes	Lucy Kreisa, Brinton Roberts, Billy Kreisa, Isabel Roberts
Lectors & Intercessor	Michael Millar, Alyce Smith (L), Jeremy Farmer (I)
Ushers	Heather Campbell, Robert Hawley, Claudia Montgomery (V)
Chalice Bearers	Rick Jones, Bob Spencer, Gary Martin, Jim McGee, Charlotte McGee, Elizabeth Clemmitt, Brooks Crankshaw, Bill MacAdam
Altar Guild	Elizabeth Parkinson, Carolyn Potter, Withrow Meeker, Kathy Shanley
Flower Delivery	Shelley Galloway

The Rev. Christopher Powell	Rector
The Rev. Nadia Stefko	Associate Rector
The Rev. Rod Quainton	Assisting Priest
Richard Clemmitt	Organist and Choirmaster
Jay Peterson	Organ Associate
Elizabeth Clemmitt	Primary Choir Director
Melissa Durbin	Director of Children's Ministries
Mario Ruiz, Steve Tracy	Sextons

Christ Church, 784 Sheridan Road  
Parish Office, 470 Maple Street - (847)-446-2850

A large-print copy of *The Book of Common Prayer*  
is available from an usher.