CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

WELCOME!

We are glad you are with us today as we worship God and receive Christ's presence given to us in the sacrament of bread and wine. This service is offered by livestream to those who cannot assemble with us. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY JANUARY 26, 2025 10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Voluntary Andante con moto from Symphony No. 2

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand, as able, and sing

Entrance Hymn 537 Christ for the World We Sing!

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The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

CelebrantAlmighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All sing

Canticle of Praise Benedictus es, Domine





Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated for

The First Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."

Psalm 19:1-6 Caeli enarrant

Chant: Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)

The refrain is sung first by the Cantor, repeated by all, then together as appointed.



Refrain:

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork. One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another. *Refrain* Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard, their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world. *Refrain* In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat. *Refrain*

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not

belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."

Please stand and sing

Gradual Hymn 632 O Christ, the Word Incarnate

The Gospel is carried to the congregation so that we remember it is our Good News to hear and to share.

The Gospel Reading

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Once the Book of Gospels has returned to its place of honor, the People may be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The Homily

Please stand for

The Nicene Creed

CelebrantLet us declare our faith in God:PeopleWe 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,

Michael Kurth

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Luke 4:14-21

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.

A member of the parish leads

The Prayers of the People

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. We pray for the Episcopal Church in Delaware, for each congregation and school. We pray for this congregation and we lift up *N*. Strengthen our witness and our welcome. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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. We pray for our president, Donald, for Congress, and for those in the diplomatic corps or military service. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

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. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

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. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for *N*., and those we remember now. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially *N*., and those we remember now. We pray that your will for them may be fulfilled and that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Together let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

- People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Priest 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. Amen.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory and Preparation of the Table

Being seated, we begin with a time of offering. Giving money is a sign that our life serves God's purposes and expresses our gratitude for God's many blessings. The ushers will receive the offering and present it on our behalf. Also, you may give online or text a contribution to (302) 244-5368. For those who give electronically, a card is available in the pews to participate in the act of offering. Newcomers and guests may place the welcome card in the offering plate.

Anthem

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

Please stand and sing

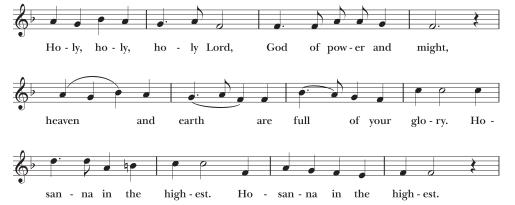
Presentation Hymn 380, v. 3 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The Great Thanksgiving

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

The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our praise in the ancient song of the Sanctus.

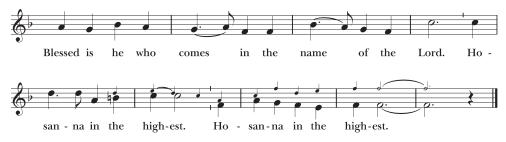
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



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(red) Book of Common Prayer 367

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)



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The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our acclamation of Christ's sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection, saying Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues the prayer, concluding

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. *Amen*.

The Celebrant invites the People to say the prayer Jesus taught his first disciples.

The Lord's Prayer

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

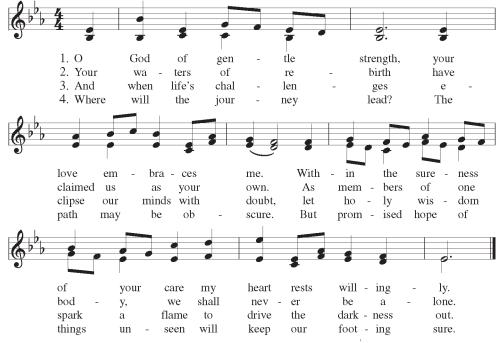
We sing the anthem at the breaking of the bread, which is Christ's Body, broken for us. Please be seated after the sacrament is presented.



Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Christ or a blessing. Come up the center aisle and take your place along the altar rail, kneeling or standing. If you desire a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intent. Receive the host in open hands. Gluten-free host is available; let the clergy know your need when they approach you. When you are presented with the cup, drink from it or dip the bread carefully into the cup and consume in both kinds together. If you do not wish to receive the cup, please cross your arms to indicate your intent, but wait for the minister to pass you before you leave the rail. Please use the side aisle to return to your pew. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know, and communion will be brought to you.

Communion Hymn O God of Gentle Strength



Words: Patricia B. Clark (b. 1938). Music: Carlisle, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815).

Please stand for

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant In thanksgiving, let us pray.

PeopleEternal 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.

Sending Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant	In the name of this congregation, we 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.

People We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the People.PeopleAmen.

All sing

Hymn in Procession 539 O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling

Dismissal

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Voluntary Suite in G Minor, Grand Dialogue

Please take your bulletin with you or return it to the table in the narthex as you leave. We are sent forth to be Christ's blessing in the world. Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with light. We look forward to your presence again in worship, in service to others, in learning and fellowship.

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J. A. Guillain (1680 - 1739)

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JANUARY 26, 2025

In the Season of Epiphany

THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP...

OUR MONTHLY OUTREACH COLLECTIONS. Each month, parishioners are encouraged to donate specific items for a worthwhile agency or cause. We collect a wide variety of items for many of our Outreach partners, ranging from food, clothing, and toiletries to school supplies, children's games, and sports equipment. Check the bulletin for collection information and consider how you can contribute throughout the year.

January Clothing Drive

This week, we wrap up our collection of blankets, clothing, boots, and shoes for men, women, children, and infants for the Clothing Bank of Delaware. Please bring items in tied trash bags weighing no more than 15 pounds each, and place blanket donations in separate bags. All items may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the circle drive entrance to the Parish Center.

TWO GREEN SHOW EVENTS

Thank You Brunch for Volunteers - Today

All who volunteered their time and talents for the 2024 Green Show are invited to brunch today, January 26, at 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall, hosted by Nancy Greenberg. Come enjoy fun and fellowship with others, share your experience of serving as a Green Show volunteer, and help us wrap up another successful Green Show as we look ahead to this year's event.

Help Clean Out the Green Show Closet - Next Sunday

Then join us next Sunday, February 2, following the 10:30 AM service to help remove items and reorganize supplies in the Green Show closet between the Kitchen and Parish Hall C. Help sort through these treasures and tidy up the space to make room for donations for our 2025 Green Show. Stop by anytime between 11:30 AM and 3 PM and continue our Green Show tradition of making new friends while working alongside fellow parishioners.

DINE WITH THE LADIES - TOMORROW

Each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. All women are invited to Dine with the Ladies tomorrow, January 27, at 7 PM at Cromwell's Tavern. Click <u>here</u> to RSVP today.

ADULT FORMATION: WORD INTO LIFE – JANUARY 29, FEBRUARY 5, & 12

Join the Rev. David Beresford on Wednesdays, January 29, February 5, and 12, for "Word into Life"—an opportunity to reflect upon and discuss the sermon from the previous Sunday. Written copies of each sermon, along with starter questions, will be made available prior to each session. Evenings begin with a shared meal at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall, followed by conversation from 7 to 8 PM and concluding with Compline. Click <u>here</u> to RSVP.

OSTINATO WITH TEMPESTA DI MARE – JANUARY 31

Chaconnes, bergamascas, follias, ciaccionas, romanescas, and other ground basses are brought to toe-tapping life by Tempesta di Mare's chamber players in this performance of *Ostinato* at Christ Church this Friday, January 31, at 7 PM in the Chapel. The concert includes works by Vivaldi, Purcell, Blow, Marais, and others. Tickets are \$35-\$45 and may be purchased <u>here</u>.

CHORAL EVENSONG – FEBRUARY 2

Choral Evensong takes place next Sunday, February 2, at 4 PM in the Church with the Parish Choir and senior Choristers. Music will include works by Ronald Arnatt, William Smith, Herbert Sumsion, and Bruce Neswick. Bruce Barber will play an organ prelude beginning at 3:30 PM. Join us for this ancient service of music, scripture, and prayer.

TWO FAMILY PROMISE OPPORTUNITIES – WEEKS OF FEBRUARY 2 & APRIL 27

Christ Church has the honor of hosting families from the Family Promise Network during the weeks of February 2-8 and April 27-May 3, when members of our congregation provide meals, assistance, and a friendly face to those in need. Families stay overnight at Family Promise's campus on Milltown Road in Wilmington, and volunteers are needed to prepare, serve, and clean up dinner there for up to five families each evening and to pick up items for families during the week. For information and to volunteer, click <u>here</u>.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – FEBRUARY 5

Those of all ages are invited for Coffee and Conversation on Wednesday, February 5, from 10:45 to 11:45 AM in the Commons Room. Gather with friends for meaningful conversation and make new friends over coffee, tea, and snacks. Join us for this time of fun and fellowship and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

MLK VOICE 4 YOUTH - FEBRUARY 9

MLK Voice 4 Youth provides a platform for young people in grades 7-12 to speak out on issues important to them, reflecting MLK's commitment to social change and justice. The finals take place on Sunday, February 9, at 2 PM at The baby grand, 818 N. Market Street in Wilmington, and are free and open to the public. Come hear this year's finalists' powerful and passionate messages as they creatively showcase their talents in spoken word and compete for the \$2,000 first place prize.

MUSIC BY CANDLELIGHT: ROCOCO DIALOGUES – FEBRUARY 9

Filament pays homage to 18th century invention in this program celebrating works for harpsichord with strings. This candlelight chamber music concert on Sunday, February 9, at 4 PM in Christ Church's Chapel presents trios of Haydn alongside accompanied keyboard sonatas of Luigi Boccherini. Lesser-known gems, adapted and arranged by the ensemble, will complement this program full of discovery. Reserve your seats for this free concert <u>here</u>.

CHAPEL MEMORIAL FLOWER DATES AVAILABLE

Memorial flowers for the altars at Christ Church are donated in memory of loved ones each week. With weekly services in the Chapel, there are numerous dates available to donate flowers in 2025. If you wish to offer flowers in memory of a loved one, please contact Jane Rubini or call (302) 655-3379.

CHILI COOK-OFF & BINGO NIGHT – FEBRUARY 22

Your Parish Fellowship Team invites you to join in the fun and chase the chill at our Chili Cook-off & Bingo Night on Saturday, February 22, at 6 PM. Come sample our entries as we crown a Christ Church Chili Champion! A \$2 donation per guest gets you a bowl and spoon for sampling. Judging/sampling will take place from 6 to 7 PM and be followed by Bingo from 7:30 to 9 PM. Click <u>here</u> to RSVP to attend the evening and/or to enter your chili in the cook-off. Prizes will be awarded for both the cook-off and Bingo, and snacks and beverages will be provided during the evening. Those participating in the cook-off should bring their prepared chili in a slow cooker with ladle to Parish Hall C by 5:30 PM for judging.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR COFFEE & COMMUNITY

Volunteers are needed to host Coffee & Community each Sunday from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Parish Halls. Individuals and families volunteer to host by bringing treats and setting up beverages, and it's an easy, fun way to provide hospitality and welcome as we nurture relationships and connections with those in our community. Sign up <u>here</u>.

SEEKING VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Do you feel called to serve your parish community as a member of the Christ Church Vestry or know someone who would make a great candidate? We are accepting nominations for next year's vestry class. The vestry serves many important roles in partnership with our rector. Key responsibilities include setting and enabling the long-term vision and purpose of the parish and ensuring its ongoing health and vitality through sound spiritual and financial stewardship of our congregation and our beautiful campus. As part of this, setting ministry budget priorities is a key responsibility. If interested in learning more or submitting a nomination, please reach out to any member of the vestry, including this year's outgoing class: <u>Audrey Bruce, Ted Ledden, Eliza Phillips</u>, and <u>Bart Reese</u>.

GUEST READERS NEEDED AT CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL PRESCHOOL

Guest readers are invited to share a story with Christ Church Episcopal Preschool classes on select Tuesdays of the month at 8:45 AM. Bring along your favorite picture book or select one from the school library. Sign up to read <u>here</u>.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Frederick S. and Bessie G. Johnson Husband E. and Dorothy K. Kimmel Agatha Gay Kimmel, Ned and Harriott Kimmel Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

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