

A guide to receiving Communion

There are several ways to receive Communion today.

Please come down the center aisle towards the Baptismal Font.

At the lower station, we have regular bread and a silver chalice or common cup. We also have gluten-free wafers, small individual cups of wine, and grape juice at the lower station. If you wish to intinct (dip your wafer into the wine), please use a small individual cup.

At the main altar rail, we have regular bread and the common cup. If you wish to intinct, please use a small individual cup at the lower station. You may stand or kneel as is most comfortable and prayerful for you. Please fill in along the rail from right to left, and leave through the side entrance on the left side of the altar.

Receiving communion in one kind (just the bread or just the wine/grape juice) is also sufficient to receive the full benefit of the Sacrament. If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, you are invited to receive a blessing from the clergy. Simply cross your arms across your chest when you approach the clergy. Please be aware that, as you come down the aisle for communion, you will appear on our livestream. If you prefer to take communion at your seat, please let an usher know.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

Sanctus **S 125**

Invitation to Communion

We welcome to communion all who have been baptized in any Christian tradition. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available at the lower communion rail. Please tell the priest if you wish to have them.

Communion Hymn **Where charity and love prevail** **H 581**

Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitor *Please stand.*

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

People **Take these holy gifts of our Lord's Body and Blood and go forth in the name of Christ Church. May those to whom you go experience with us the majesty and mystery of His presence through the sharing of the bread and wine.**

All **We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer *Stand or kneel* **BCP 365**

Celebrant Let us pray.

**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 *Standing*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn **O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling** **H 539**

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

Special thanks to Mary Ann Jones, who is serving as our organist today.

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SERVING US TODAY

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Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Bishop & Staff of the Diocese of East Carolina

MISSION

The mission of Christ Episcopal Church is to welcome and inspire all people to faith, hope and spiritual growth through worship, Christian fellowship, and service to one another and to the community beyond.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 22

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:30 am: Coffee available between services

9:45 am: Sunday School

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave/[online](#))

12 pm: Coffee Hour

12:30 pm: Cursillo Reunion (Chapel)

6 pm: EYC (Youth Room)

Monday, January 23

11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer Group (Pelletier Room)

1 pm: Staff Meeting

3 pm: Growing in Grace

6:30 pm: Vestry Meeting (Parish House)

Tuesday, January 24

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

10 am: Women's Book Study (Second Floor Living Room)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

5:30 pm: Stephen Ministry Training (Parish House)

5:45 pm: 8:30 Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

7 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Wednesday, January 25

11am: Rector's Bible Study (Parish House)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

7 pm: Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, January 26

10 am: Chair Yoga (Harrison Center)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time

Sunday, January 29

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:30 am: Coffee available between services

9:45 am: Sunday School

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave/[online](#))

12 pm: Coffee Hour

12:15 pm: Acolyte Training

5:30 pm: Loaves and Fishes Youth Scavenger Hunt



CHRIST CHURCH

AN EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA

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Our Vision: To be a church that loves the way God Loves

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 22, 2023 - 11:00 AM

Book of Common (BCP) and Hymnal pages are listed on the right.

BCP: Book of Common Prayer (*black*), **S or H: Hymnal 1982** (*blue*),

WLP: Wonder, Love, and Praise (*green*), **L: Lift Every Voice** (*red*)

Please silence your cell phones.

View the 11 am service online: www.youtube.com/c/christchurchnewbern

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Hearing and Responding to Holy Scripture

Voluntary

Hymn **Christ, for the world we sing!** **H 537**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **BCP 355**

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty 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.**

Hymn of Praise **Canticle 13 A Song of Praise** **S 236**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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 sit for the reading of the scriptures.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 27:1, 5-13 *Spoken by whole verse. Dominus illuminatio* **BCP 617**

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

**5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;**

6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

**7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.**

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

**9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

10 Harken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

**11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.**

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

**13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn **Take my life and let it be** **H 707**

The Holy Gospel *Standing*

Matthew 4:12-23

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

People **Glory be to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Children's Homily

Meg Jones

Sermon

The Rev. H. Paul Canady III

The Nicene Creed *All stand*

BCP 358

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.

Prayers of the People: Form III *Stand or kneel*

BCP 387

The Leader

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we may be one

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially John Hager and Joe Albanese.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We remember those included in this week's Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Bishop & Staff of the Diocese of East Carolina

We offer special thanksgivings for the flowers behind the altar that are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara West by her son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Barbara West; and in celebration of William Parker Jutras' eighth birthday and his first time serving as an acolyte by Ellen and Ken Chance.

O Lord God, Your Son Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His resurrection He restores life and peace in all creation. Comfort, we pray, all victims of intolerance and those oppressed by their fellow humans. Remember in your Kingdom those who have died. Lead the oppressors towards compassion and give hope to the suffering.

Amen.

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

BCP 360

**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.**

Celebrant 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 *All stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Offertory Sentence

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Offering

Heavenly Light

Alexander Kopylov

Parish Choir

Hymn at the Presentation

H 135 v. 1

**Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus Lord to thee we raise,
manifested by the star to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem;
anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.**