

witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Blessing

May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn**                      **O Praise Ye the Lord**                      **H 432**

### The Dismissal

*Deacon*                      Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People*                      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### Voluntary

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### 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.

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### THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

#### **Sunday, May 15**

GIG Recognition Day

Deadline to submit articles and pictures for the June *Crown*

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School

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

12:15 pm: Formation Commission (Library)

2 pm: Trinity Ultreya Welcome Home (Parish House)

6 pm: EYC (Youth Room)

#### **Monday, May 16**

10 am: Home Place Eucharist

10:30 am: McCarthy Court Eucharist

11 am: Staff Meeting

11:30 am: Contemplative Prayer (zoom)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

6:30 pm: Vestry Meeting (Harrison Center)

#### **Tuesday, May 17**

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

9:30 am: Endowment (Pelletier Room)

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

3 pm: Growing in Grace

5:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

6 pm: Rehearsal (Music Room)

#### **Wednesday, May 18**

11 am: Rector's Bible Study (Library)

3 pm: Growing in Grace

4:30 pm: Wednesdays at Christ Church

6 pm: EfM (Second Floor Living Room)

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

7 pm: Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

#### **Thursday, May 19**

10 am: Chair Yoga (Harrison Center)

10:45 am: Truewood by Merrill Eucharist

3:30 pm: Growing in Grace Chapel Time

6 pm: T-Ball v. First Baptist

#### **Friday, May 20**

11:30 am: Altar Guild Spring Luncheon (Parish House)

6 pm: T-Ball v. St. Paul's 2

#### **Saturday, May 21**

3 pm: Funeral for Shirley Pridgen

#### **Sunday, May 22**

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave) \*Honoring EfM graduates

9:45 am: Sunday School (last day)

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave/[online](#)) \*Honoring High School Seniors

12:30 pm: Cursillo Reunion (Chapel)

6 pm: EYC (Youth Room)



## CHRIST CHURCH

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IN THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022 - 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*)

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### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Hearing and Responding to Holy Scripture

#### Voluntary

Hymn

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

H 618

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

BCP 355

*People*

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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.**

#### Song of Praise

Gloria

S 278

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

#### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit for the reading of the scriptures.*

#### The First Lesson

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing

profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 148** *Read in unison.* *Laudate Dominum* **BCP 805**  
**The Second Lesson** **Revelation 21:1-6**

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** **Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life** **H 487**

**The Holy Gospel** *Standing* **John 13:31-35**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

**Children's Homily**

**Meg Jones**

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Deacon Lisa Kirby**

**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 sit*

**BCP 387**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all 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 Shirley Pridgen, Jane Atkinson, and all the departed eternal rest.  
**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 pray for God's blessing and wisdom for those serving in the armed forces and all public servants on whom our communities depend. We pray for their well-being and ask God to grant them safety, patience, and peace. Help them to be a reminder to each other and to us of God's enduring love.

We remember those included in this week's Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Most Rev'd Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate and the Staff of The Episcopal Church Center

Rejoicing in the risen presence of our Lord, we commend all for whom we pray and ourselves to Christ, whom we give laud and praise now and forever. **Amen.**

*We omit the confession during the season of Easter as a reminder of Jesus's triumph over the grave and the unmerited grace given to us by God through Jesus.*

**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** **Lord, I Ring My Praise to Thee** (*Handbell Choir*) **Howard Starks**

### A guide to receiving Communion

Please come down the center aisle towards the Baptismal Font. Hold your hands out in front of you to receive the bread. If you wish to have a gluten-free wafer, please ask the clergy person. To receive wine, go to one of the Eucharistic Ministers. One will have a chalice or common cup. The other will have small individual cups. If you wish to intinct (dip your wafer into the wine), please use a small individual cup. Grape juice is available in front of the Lectern, to the left of the Baptismal Font.

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.

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### Holy Communion

**Eucharistic Prayer C**

**BCP 369**

**Sanctus**

**S 128**

**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**

**Set Me As a Seal** (*Parish Choir*)

**René Clausen**

**Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitor** *Standing*

*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**

**BCP 366**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs to your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful**