



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
According to the Book of Common Prayer, Rite One
The First Sunday after Christmas Day
December 28, 2025, 10:00 A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Cole Hartin, Celebrant
Mr. Jeffrey J. Ford, Organist-Choirmaster

Welcome to Christ Church

We are thrilled you have joined us for today's celebration. You are encouraged to participate fully in our worship service. In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. This service leaflet contains all that is necessary to participate in the worship services today. Please silence all cell phones.

The Word of God

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY:

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 100 *Joy to the World*

Tune: Antioch

THE ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo: S-204*

Old Scottish Chant

1. Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

2. We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks

to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly King,

God the Father Al - might - y. 4. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,

5. that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.

6. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

7. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up - on us.

8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. Thou only, O Christ,

with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word: Grant that the same light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON | Isaiah 61:10—62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 147:13-21

BCP, p. 804

13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise your God, O Zion;

14 **For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.**

15 He has established peace on your borders; * he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 **He sends out his command to the earth, * and his word runs very swiftly.**

17 He gives snow like wool; * he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

18 **He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; * who can stand against his cold?**

19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

20 **He declares his word to Jacob, * his statutes and his judgments to Israel.**

21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson | Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are chil-

dren, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN NO. 324 *Of the Father's love begotten*

Tune: Picardy

Verses 1 & 2

THE HOLY GOSPEL | John 1:1-18

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’”) From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Cole Hartin, *Associate Rector*

THE NICENE CREED

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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

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Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially our parish clergy: David, Cole, Ted, Stephen, Tim and Leesa, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor and Don, our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

THE ABSOLUTION AND THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP, p. 332

Following the Absolution, the People respond: **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant
People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

THE GREETING AND PARISH NOTICES

The Holy Communion

THE VOLUNTARY AT THE OFFERTORY

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

Tune: Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer II*

BCP, p. 340

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**
Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS, S-114

Healey Willan

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues, the people kneeling

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Celebrant & People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant & People

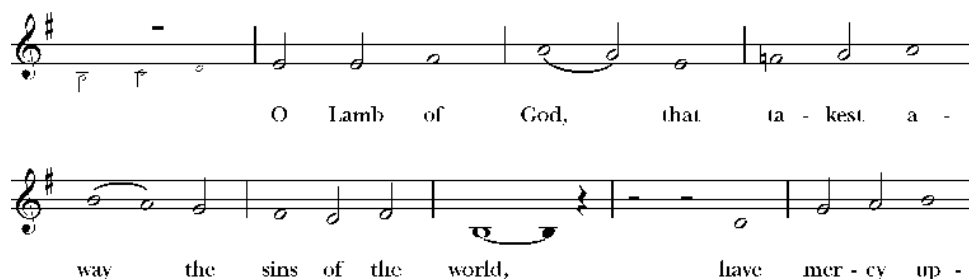
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is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

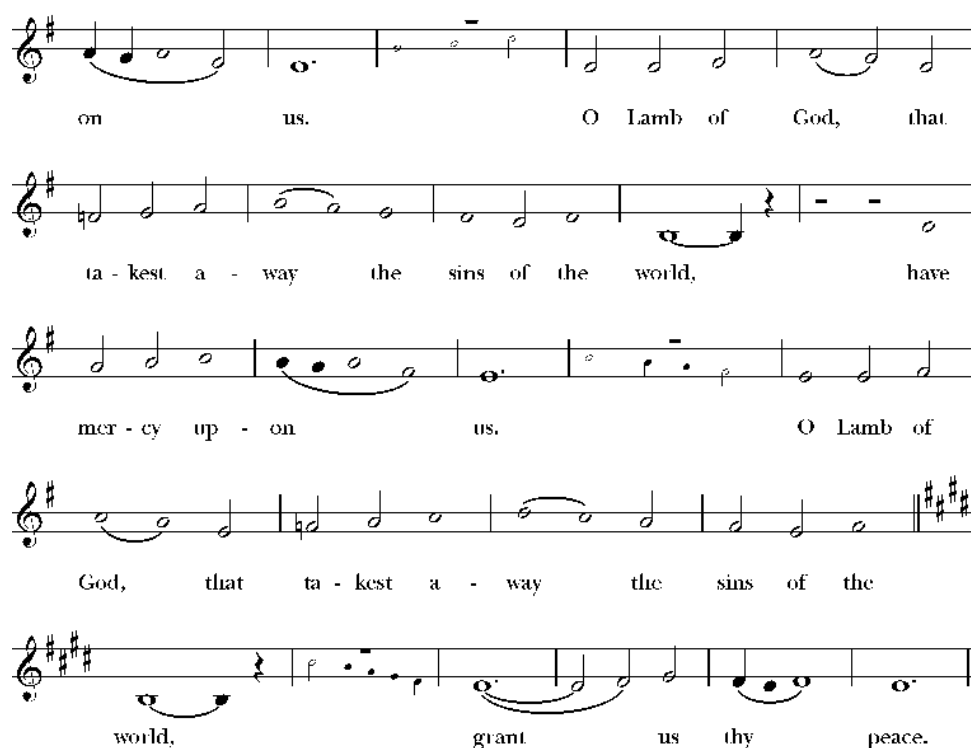
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM: Agnus Dei, S-158

Healey Willan





THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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The Communion Welcome

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians, regardless of denominational affiliation, are invited to receive Holy Communion. To receive the host, place one hand over the other with palms facing upward. You may intinct (dip) the host into the chalice of wine, or you may consume the host and then drink from the chalice, gently guiding it to your lips by the base. If you prefer not to receive, you may come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

THE VOLUNTARY AT COMMUNION

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Following the Blessing, the People respond: Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 89 *It came upon the midnight clear*

Tune: Carol

THE DISMISSAL

Following the Dismissal, the People respond:

Thanks be to God.

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Deacon: Stephen Stine

Verger/Chalicer: Jerril Burnette; **Lector/Intercessor/Chalicer:** Joyce McGee

Usher: Craig Hughes, Rodney Thomson

Greeters: Mary Ann Exum

Altar Guild Team 1 & 4: Caroline Wylie & Harriet McArthur

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God, and in thanksgiving for our 55th wedding anniversary by Pam and Gordon Roberts.

CHRIST CHURCH DOWNTOWN

Sunday, December 28

7:30am Holy Eucharist

9:00am Holiday Reception (no Christian Formation)

10:00am Holy Eucharist



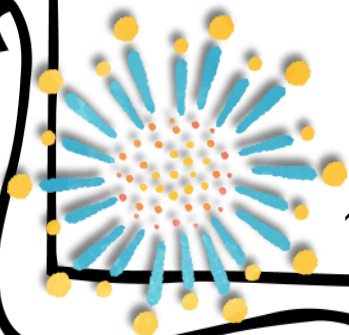
Sunday, January 4, 2026

7:30am Holy Eucharist

(no Christian Formation)

10:00am Holy Eucharist

11:00am Coffee Time in Guild Hall



Bible Study with the Rector | Christ Church DOWNTOWN

ACTS of the Apostles

Resumes the first week of January

MEN: **Tuesdays @ 8:00am** | WOMEN: **Thursdays @ 10:30am**



VENITE hosted + ALL INVITED!

January 10th 5:30 PM South Campus
potluck + bonfire + Epiphany reflection

Potluck theme is “stew + bread + beer”.
Bring along your favorite soup/stew or bread
along with your favorite drink share with the
folks and families of Christ Church.

RSVP please christchurchtyler.org/venite



SUNDAY, JANUARY 18 / 10:00AM BOTH CAMPUSES



This Week *(and more)* at Christ Church

Sunday, December 28

7:30am Holy Eucharist | CCD
Holiday Reception between Services
10:00am Holy Eucharist | CCD
11:05am Holy Eucharist | CCS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Sunday, January 4, 2026

7:30am Holy Eucharist | CCD
10:00am Holy Eucharist | CCD
11:00am Coffee Time | CCD Guild Hall
11:05am Holy Eucharist | CCS

Tuesday, January 6

8:00am Men's Bible Study with the Rector | CCD

Wednesday, January 7

7:15am Men's Bible Study | CCD Undercroft
5:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal | CCD
6:00pm EYC | CCD
6:00pm Women's Depth Group | CCS
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal | CCD

Thursday, January 8

10:30am Women's Bible Study with the Rector | CCD
6:00pm Loaves & Fishes Team 2 | CCD Undercroft

Saturday, January 10

5:30pm Bonfire & Potluck Feast | CCS
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Sunday, January 11

10:00am New Adult Christian Formation *begins*

Tuesday, January 13

5:30pm Daughters of the King | Barbara Markee's home

Sunday, January 18

10:00am Annual Parish Meeting

Holiday Church Office Hours:

December 29-31
8:30-noon

January 1 & 2, 2026
Closed

In Our Prayers

Please consider including the Prayer List in your daily devotions.

Let us remember those who celebrate the anniversaries of their births, especially:

12/28 Beth Buchinger, 12/29 Jean Morgan, 12/29 Lloyd Mercer, 12/31 Pam Holley, 1/2 Christopher Pogue,
1/3 Janie Malone, 1/3 Elizabeth Huggler, 1/3 Betty Young

And those who celebrate the anniversaries of their marriages:

12/28 Patrick & Valerie Bonds, 12/28 Sean & DeAnna Holliday, 12/28 Peyton & Marilyn Lockett,
12/30 Jim & Valerie Huggler, 1/1 Michael & Laura Young, 1/2 Bill & Nancy Clawater,
1/2 Gordon & Pam Roberts, 1/3 Tim & Liz Quinn

And also those with special needs and concerns, especially:

Luba, Maria, Yeva, YK, Iryna, Nora, Yevgeny, Lisa, Anna Marie, Fred, Owen, Gil, Jennifer, Cindy, Earl, Linda, Mike, Mark,
Dalton, Marian, Jerry, Stella, Dale, Kirby

Prayer Requests

If you would like to add or take off a name on the prayer list, parishioners should notify

The Rev. Stephen Stine at sssti@tjc.edu.



We are happy you have joined us today.

Are you NEW to Christ Church? If yes, so that we may get to know and serve you best, please complete our newcomer card by scanning the QR code or filling out a card from the pew back.



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