



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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We are a community of faith striving to love God fully and our neighbors as ourselves.

The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

May 19, 2024

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Baptism

Please silence your electronic devices. Music and lyrics of hymns may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Full text of prayers may be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

The Opening Voluntary *Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God* Dieterich Buxtehude

Processional Hymn *"Hail thee, festival day!"* Hymn 225

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People ***One God and Father of all.***

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; 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.*

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2:1-21)

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts

of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

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

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea*

- 25 O Lord, how manifold /are your /works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is /full of your /creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too /many to /number, *
 crea/tures both small and /great.
- 27 There move the ships,
 and there is /that Le/viathan, *
 which you have made /for the sport of /it.
- 28 All of them /look to /you *
 to give them their/ food in due /season.
- 29 You give it to them; they /gather /it; *
 you open your hand, and they are/ filled with good /things.
- 30 You hide your face, and /they are /terrified; *
 you take away their breath,
 and they /die and return to their /dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they /are cre/ated; *
 and so you re/new the face of the /earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord en/dure for /ever; *
 may the Lord re/joyce in all his /works.
- 33 He looks at the earth /and it /trembles; *
 he touches the /mountains and they /smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the Lord as long /as I /live; *
 I will praise my God /while I have my /being.



35 May these words of /mine please /him; *
I will re/joyce in the /Lord.

37 Bless the Lord, /O my /soul. *
Hal/lelu/jah!

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church in Rome (8:22-27)

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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

Sequence Hymn *“Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire”* **Hymn 503**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (15:26-27; 16:4b-15)
People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to his disciples, “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

The Sermon **The Rev. John Adams**

Baptism Hymn *“Descend, O Spirit, purging flame”* **Hymn 297**

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Baptism

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents *I present Benjamin Kyle Keyser to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents, and Godparents *I renounce them.*

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents, and Godparents *I renounce them.*

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents, and Godparents *I renounce them.*

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents, and Godparents *I do.*

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents, and Godparents *I do.*

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents, and Godparents *I do.*

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People *We will.*

Celebrant Let us join with the person who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.*

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

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

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Let us now pray for Benjamin who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Reader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for them to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism and Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Benjamin Kyle, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

After the Baptism

Benjamin Kyle, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace *Standing*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Peace may be exchanged through handshakes, hugs, fist bumps, waves, nods, or other such expressions; please be attentive to how much or little physical contact your neighbors would prefer. Once the Peace has been sufficiently exchanged, the people may sit for announcements.

Offertory Anthem *Come, O Creator Spirit, Come* Josquin des Prez

The Doxology: Hymn 380 v. 3

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

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer D *Standing* BCP 372

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 him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

Celebrant and people

Hymnal S 125

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant *Standing or Kneeling*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and people

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Celebrant

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Stephen and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

The Lord's Prayer (People and Celebrant)

**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
Breaking of Bread**

**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.**

Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S 154

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive at the altar rail, kneeling or standing. Gluten-free wafers are available by request. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward and place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. After receiving the bread, you may choose to consume the bread and take a sip of wine from the chalice or hold onto the bread and intinct (dip) it into the wine, in which case please hold the wafer in front of you so the chalice will know to bring you the intinction cup. You may also decline to receive the wine (as the bread in itself is full communion), in which case if you remain at the altar rail please place your arms across your chest to signal the chalice. Those who cannot or prefer not to come forward may inform an usher, and the Celebrant will come to you.

Communion Chant “Suddenly there came a sound” Acts 2, Psalm 68

Communion Hymn *Veni Sancte Spiritus* (repeat) Taize
Translation: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Once all have received, the celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and people, standing or kneeling

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

The celebrant blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn “Come down, O Love divine” Hymn 516

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Closing Voluntary *Toccata in D* Johann Pachelbel

*We Give Thanks for the beauty of the Altar Flowers
Given to the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of Margaret English Lester
By the Coleman family*

*We Give Thanks for the beauty of the Narthex Flowers
Given to the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of Curtis and Estelle Bryant
By the Family*

*We give thanks for the beauty of the Baptismal Font Ring
Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for Benjamin Kyle Keyser
Son of Zachary and Laura Keyser*

Please pray for *Sue, Julia, Betty, Nathan, Tom, Linda, Betsy, Mary Ruth, Thomas, Nancy, Trippi, Mark, Pat, and Patty Ann.*

Pray today for the Bishop's Visitation to St. John's, Wytheville. Pray for the people of St. John's, Wytheville, and their Rector, The Rev. Paul Hicks. For Grace and Peace in the Diocese of Haiti. Our companion diocese, the Diocese of Leeds, and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Baptism

Today, we welcome into the body of Christ Benjamin Kyle Keyser, son of Zachary and Laura Keyser, grandson of Steve and Joanna Keyser. Katie and Brian Hager, Sarah Beth and Greg Morrison sponsor him.

Sunday Bible Study

Our Sunday morning Bible study meets at 9:30 in the Parish House on May 19; this week we will read about David's escape from Saul with the assistance of Jonathan (1 Samuel 20); next week, we will take off for Memorial Day weekend. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as your presence allows; no preparation ahead of time is necessary.

The Beverly S. Parrish, Jr. Christian Leadership Award

Since 1957, whenever possible, Christ Church has presented this annual award to a young person(s) who best represents the spirit of Beverly S. Parrish, Jr. Recipients are chosen for their service at Christ Church, at their school, and in the wider community. A plaque to honor his life, and in recognition of those youth who exemplify his admirable traits, is displayed in the narthex of the church.

Beverly S. Parrish, Jr., was an Eagle Scout, a successful student of science and engineering, a recipient of many academic accolades, and a distinguished member of several military groups while attending college. He was an active member of Christ Church, serving as a crucifer for many years, and was a 1st Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. He continues to be remembered for his honors and achievements, but more importantly, for his personal qualities of kindness, strong sense of duty, and dependability. He had a "can do" attitude and was ready to assist his family and friends to the best of his ability. He was a Christian in every sense of the word.

Monday Bible Study

Our Monday evening Bible study meets from 7:00 to 8:00 in the Parish House on May 20, looking at the parable of the sower and related material (Luke 8:1-21); after this week, we will be on hiatus through the summer. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as you can; no preparation ahead of time is required.

Wednesday Eucharist

At Noon on Wednesdays, the Eucharist is offered in the Chapel (accessed by the glass doors at the back of the church building). There will be **no service on May 29** due to Fr. John's vacation.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for May thru June: canned beans 15 oz. (any kind). For May: bath soap, toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrush (individually wrapped), and hygiene items. As a Church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need. Please remember to pick up our assigned item the next time you visit the grocery store. You can bring your items to the Church office OR put them in the little red wagon in the Narthex.



Congratulations to all the Graduates!

2024 High School Graduates

Bradley Tyler Johnson VI is graduating from Greensboro Day School. He will be studying Engineering at Washington & Lee University. Tyler is the son of Bradley Tyler Johnson V.

Walker Riley attends Cayman Prep and High School in the Cayman Islands. It is a British school; therefore, he is in Year 13. Walker is studying A-Levels in Business Studies, Economics, and Mathematics. He will graduate on June 28. In the fall, he will attend Appalachian State in Boone, NC, where he has been invited to join their Honors College program. He is hoping to pursue a degree in Accounting. Walker chose Appalachian St. due to its proximity to the mountains— he is excited to experience four seasons in the state where he was born. Walker is the grandson of Linda and Ran Isley and the son of Elizabeth and Colin Riley.

2024 College Graduates

Ann Mason Smith graduated Summa Cum Laude from Auburn University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, with a major in marketing. Ann Mason is the daughter of Will and Susan Smith.

Landon Wagoner graduated from Randolph College with a Bachelor of Arts in Sports and Exercise Health with Fitness Concern. Landon is the son of Ginger and the late Ronnie Wagoner, and the grandson of Sue Rosser.

Alayna Gayle Williams graduated from Virginia Tech with a major in International Public Policy and a minor in French. Alayna is the daughter of Andy and Tara Williams.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Celebrant: The Rev. John Adams

Reader: Ann Gardner

Chalicers: Natalie Coleman, Tom Webster

Acolyte: Tyler Johnson

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Cantor: Raul West

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: Ben Lewis, Kyle Trent, Bruce Mazurek

Camera Operator: Andy Williams

Counters: Andy Williams, Beverly Lyle

Altar Guild: Team Five - Lloyd Barber, Debbie Lewis, Jill Dickens, Amy Joyce, Pat Russell

2024 Christ Church Vestry

Year 3: Ben Beeler; Jay Dickens, Senior Warden; Beverly Lyle, Treasurer;
Andy Williams, Junior Warden

Year 2: Betty Budde; Natalie Coleman, Secretary; Pat Russell; Will Zimmer

Year 1: Bob Bushnell, Rives Coleman, LaRue Powers, Bob Weatherall