

## The First Lesson

*Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24*

God did not make death,  
And he does not delight in the death of the living.  
For he created all things so that they might exist;  
the generative forces of the world are wholesome,  
and there is no destructive poison in them,  
and the dominion of Hades is not on earth.  
For righteousness is immortal.

God created us for incorruption,  
and made us in the image of his own eternity,  
but through the devil's envy death entered the world,  
and those who belong to his company experience it.

## The Psalm

**Psalm 30**

*Exaltabo te, Domine*

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored  
me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you  
restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks for the  
remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his  
favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the  
morning.
- 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the  
mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with the Lord, saying,  
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the  
Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my  
helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put  
off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O  
Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

## Said together:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## Second Lesson

*II Corinthians 8:7-15*

As you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in  
knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-- so  
we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the  
genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For  
you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that  
though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that  
by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am  
giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year  
not only to do something but even to desire to do something--  
now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched  
by completing it according to your means.

For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable  
according to what one has-- not according to what one does  
not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others  
and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance  
between your present abundance and their need, so that their  
abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a  
fair balance. As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much,  
and the one who had little did not have too little."

## Hymn

*O bless the Lord, my soul*

**H 411**

## Gospel Lesson

*Mark 5:21-43*

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other  
side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the  
sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus  
came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him  
repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come  
and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and  
live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.  
Now there was a woman who had been suffering from  
hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under  
many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was  
no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus,  
and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak,  
for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well."  
Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body  
that she was healed of her disease.

Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him,  
Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my  
clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd  
pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He  
looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman,  
knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and  
trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.  
He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in  
peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the  
leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the  
teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said  
to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He  
allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John,  
the brother of James. When they came to the house of the  
leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping  
and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them,  
"Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not  
dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them  
all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those  
who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took  
her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means,  
"Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began  
to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were  
overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no  
one should know this, and told them to give her something to  
eat.

## The Sermon

### The Nicene Creed

*Written about 325 AD, this is the ancient statement of our faith*

BCP 358

### Prayers of the People VI

*We pray together as the people of God*

BCP 392

### Confession & Absolution

*We confess our sins and are reassured of our pardon*

BCP 360

### The Peace

*We share the joy of the Good News!*

### The Liturgy of the Eucharist, sometimes called the Mass Offertory

#### Presentation of Gifts and Tithes

*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.*

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**July 1, 2018**

**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*and being the Sunday designated Proper VIII of the Church Year*

## Welcome to this Place of Prayer

If you are new or visiting this congregation for the first time we invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card (found on the rack in front of you) and place it in the collect plate as it is passed. We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today and hope that you will continue your faith journey here.

This bulletin will help guide you through today's service. The abbreviation "H" stands for "Hymnal." This is the larger red book located on the shelf in front of you. That music noted as "H-S" followed by a number is service music, and is found in the very first pages of the Hymnal. "BCP" is our abbreviation for "Book of Common Prayer," which is the smaller red book.

## The Liturgy of the Word

<b>Hymn</b>	<i>Christ is made the sure foundation</i>	<b>H 518</b>
<b>The Service Begins</b>		<b>BCP 355</b>
<b>Gloria in Excelsis</b>		<b>H-S 280</b>

*The text to this ancient hymn of praise is found in the BCP*

<b>The Collect</b>	<i>Our collective prayer for the day.</i>
Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. <i>Amen.</i>	

<u>Eucharistic Prayer "A"</u>	BCP 361
<u>Sanctus</u>	Words in BCP, Musical Setting H-S129
<u>Memorial Acclamation</u>	Words in BCP, Musical Setting H-S132
<u>The Lord's Prayer</u>	Traditional version, found on BCP 364
<u>Fraction Anthem</u>	H-S 152

## The Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

All baptized Christians, of any tradition, are welcome to receive the sacrament. Everyone, regardless of faith, is welcome to receive a blessing—simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest comes by. It is the tradition of this parish that 12 to 14 people at a time receive Communion at the altar rail, at which point all are dismissed together to return to their seats, and another group may move forward to the rail. Gluten free wafers are available to those who request them.

## Communion Hymns

<i>O saving Victim</i>	H 311
<i>O for a thousand tongues to sing</i>	H 493
<i>Take my life, and let it be</i>	H 707

## Our Prayer after Communion

<b>Hymn</b>	<i>The Church's one foundation</i>
	<b>H 525</b>

## The Dismissal

We are dismissed from this gathering to go into the world to spread the Good News and the love of Christ! We respond to this instruction with: *Thanks be to God!*

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Following our service will be Coffee Hour, hosted by the **Vestry**. This is a time for us to have fellowship, share our joys and sorrows, and get to know one another. It is very much an extension of the communal feast we share in the Holy Eucharist. Please join us.

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The Altar Flowers are given today by  
**Jim and Suzanne Pulse**, in memory of loved ones.

## Participants in Today's Liturgy

<u>Acolyte</u>	Becky Beckett	Ben Slater
<u>Lector</u>	Delia Kersey	Teresa Paine
<u>Chalicists</u>	Teresa Paine	Don Williams
<u>Altar Guild</u>	Chris Justice	Betty Nash

Kathy Burge

## Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes—Wanda Myers—Bonnie Taylor—Joe Sanders—Marlene—Lee Puckett, Sr.—Phyllis & Nelson Walker—Linda—Valerie Mahood—Sierra—Alex B.—Toni

R.—Linda Sydeski—Ragen—Jared Cregger—Kerrigan Farmer—Lindsey Parsley—Mike—Daisy Bowman—Ellie Spencer—Sue Godwin—Mabeline & Elton Robinson—Ann Richardson—Sherry Mitchell—Carrie D.—Dorothy Curry—Lorraine Keffer—Sharon Cranfill—Margie Hardin

## Attendance Last Sunday

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**Birthdays This Week:** Wendy Harris, William Clement, and Erin Simons

## Calendar of Events

Tuesday - July 3	Fr. Chad leaves for General Convention
Thursday – July 19	Food Pantry 9am-11am
Friday - July 26	Cookout at Community Square
Sunday – July 29	Church Picnic @ Lotito Park 10:30am

## Announcements:

**Community Cookout:** Christ Church will be hosting our annual cookout in Chicory Square on Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars and watch for signup sheets in the Narthex..  
**General Convention:** Fr. Chad will be in Austin, TX for the General Convention of the Episcopal Church where he is serving as an elected deputy for West Virginia. If you are in need of clergy for any pastoral urgency between July 3<sup>rd</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> please contact Fr. Russ Hatfield at: 276-970-0576  
**Usher Training:** Anyone interested in serving as an usher is encouraged to talk with David Kersey about training today. "Head Usher David Kersey is compiling a list of persons interested in serving as ushers during regular Sunday service. This ministry is open to women and men. Anyone interested should let our secretary know or email David at [dkersey@brewstermorhouse.com](mailto:dkersey@brewstermorhouse.com). Usher training will be arranged, after the list is compiled."

## Clergy, Staff, and Wardens of this Parish

the Rev. Chad Slater	Rector
Ms. Emma Bennett	Parish Administrator
Mr. Terry E. Whittington, Jr.	Organist & Choirmaster
Mrs. Vanessa Hall	Sexton
Dr. Rob Merritt	Senior Warden
Mrs. Dee Puckett	Junior Warden

