

The First Lesson

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

The Psalm

Psalm 145:1-5, 18-22

Exaltabo te, Deus

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he hears their cry and helps them.
- 21 The Lord preserves all those who love him, but he destroys all the wicked.

22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and 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

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Hymn

Jerusalem, my happy home

H 620

Gospel Lesson

Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the

resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

First composed in 325, this is the ancient statement of faith

The Prayers of the People (Form IV)

BCP 388

The Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

We confess our sins and are reassured of our pardon

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 creature here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

From Hymn 380 vs. 3

<u>Eucharistic Prayer “B”</u>		BCP 367
<i>Sanctus</i>	Words in BCP, Musical Setting	S129
<i>Memorial Acclamation</i>	Words in BCP, Musical Setting	S138
<i>The Lord’s Prayer</i>	Traditional version, found on BCP	364
<i>Fraction Anthem</i>		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>Come with us, O blessed Jesus vs. 1</i>	H 336
<i>Before thy throne, O God, we kneel</i>	H 574
<i>And now, O Father, mindful of love</i>	H 337

Our Prayer after Communion BCP 366

<u>Hymn</u>	<i>Immortal, invisible, god only wise</i>	H 423
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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!*

The Altar Flowers are given today by Peter and Patricia Taylor in loving memory of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Brookins Taylor, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hale.

Following our service will be Coffee Hour, hosted today by Victor and Lynn Bowman. 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!

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes, Wanda Myers, Bonnie Taylor, Joe Sanders, Lee Puckett, Sr., Kerrigan Farmer, Mabeline & Elton Robinson, Bea Paine, Charlotte Woolwine, Lynn Burney, Marilyn Denney, Michelle Parks, Shirley Weaver, Will Calfee, Doug Bloomfield, Paul Anderson, Deane Family, Donna Fortune, Deanna Edwards, Elizabeth Kane, Jerry and Debbie, Nina and family, Marlene, Amy Melvin, Bob and Peggy Walk, Susan Jewell, John Kersey, Judy Anderson, Michelle Coleman, Hilendorf Family, Martha Linkous, Hazel Railey.

Participants in Today's Liturgy

Acolyte

Elizabeth Burton

Chalicer

Becky Kersey

Lectors

David Hardin

Becky Kersey

Altar Guild

Linda Thomas

Sandy Moir

Nursery Help

Louisa Bennett

Vestry Member of the Month:

Delia Kersey

Birthdays This Week: Kathy Burge, Rob Merritt, Art Mead

Last Sunday's Attendance

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Calendar of Events

Sunday – November 10

Hymn sing at the Paine's 4:00pm

Wednesday – November 13

Serve dinner at the Union Mission 3:00pm

Sunday – November 17

Bagging Groceries after church

Tuesday – November 19

DOK meeting 10:30am

Wednesday – November 20

ECM Dinner 6:00pm

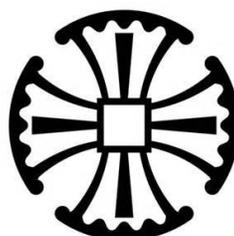
Vestry 7:00pm

Thursday – November 21

Food Pantry 9:00 – 11:00am

Wednesday – November 27

Serve dinner at the Union Mission 4:30pm



Announcements:

Hymn Singing Today! You are invited to join us for a time of singing favorite Hymns at the home of Jim and Bea Paine at 4:00pm today! 2120 Mountain View, Bluefield, WV. All voices are welcome! Just bring your joy for singing. Light refreshments provided.

Nursery Help: Please consider signing up to assist with our Sunday morning nursery. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Sign-ups are now open for the remainder of this calendar year! For more information please see Fr. Chad or Elizabeth Clement.

Coffee Hour: If you are interested in this very important ministry at Christ Church, please call the office at 304-327-6861 or Email Emma Bennett at secretary@cecblf.org.

Stickers and Decals: There are bumper stickers and window decals on the usher's table for anyone who would like them.

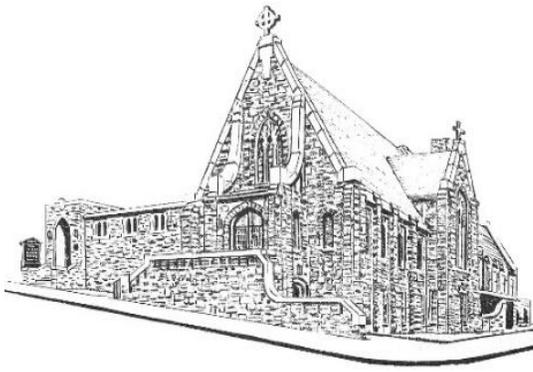
Loose Offering: Any loose offering collected in November will go to the Boys Home of Covington VA.

Food Pantry Items Needed: Handout lists are available in Narthex for Food Pantry items being collected during the months of November thru January. We will accept monetary contributions also. See Patty Richardson or Mary Catherine Williams if you have any questions.

2019 Stewardship Program: This year's theme is "Shining Our Light". Each week we will have a written reflection included with your bulletin and a special presentation on how we "Shine our light" here at Chris Church from one of our members. Estimates of Gifts and Tithes cards will be collected in the month of November. Cards may be brought forward when you come to Communion and placed in the basket.



SHINING OUR LIGHT



Clergy, Staff, and Wardens of this Parish

the Rev. Chad Slater

Ms. Emma Bennett

Mr. Terry E. Whittington, Jr.

Mrs. Vanessa Hall

Mrs. Susan Jewell

Mrs. Becky Beckett

Mr. Tom Coughlan

Rector

Parish Administrator

Organist & Choirmaster

Sexton

Nursery Attendant

Senior Warden

Junior Warden

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