



# CHRIST CHURCH

IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

**Sunday, May 11, 2025**

**The Fourth Sunday after Easter**



**9:00 am**

**Contemporary Service**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

**WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!**

***I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go unto the house of the Lord.'***

*Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.*



**Altar Flowers are given today  
In Thanksgiving  
For our  
Mothers**

**Visitors who are here for the first time** are invited to sign the guest register by the front door in the church Narthex.

*All baptized Christians, regardless of denominational affiliation or age, are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-Free wafers are available upon request.*



***Pledge or donate to Christ Episcopal Church by scanning our QR code with your phone. Sign-up sheets for Altar flowers can be found in the Narthex and the Church Office.***

# The Word of God

## Entrance Rite

**OPENING SONG: *Always only Jesus***

**TUNES OF MERCY ME**

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

**BCP p. 355**

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**BCP p. 355**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: *Gloria***

**JASON SILVER**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      And also with you.

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**JOHANNA REILLY**

Children are invited to come forward  
to the altar for the Children's Sermon.

## The Lessons

**FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>36</sup>Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup>At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room

upstairs. <sup>38</sup>Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” <sup>39</sup>So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup>Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup>He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup>This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup>Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Reader*                The Word of the Lord.

*People*                Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM: Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not be in want.**

<sup>2</sup>He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

**and leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>He revives my soul \*

**and guides me along right pathways for his Name’s sake.**

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*

**you have anointed my head with oil,**

**and my cup is running over.**

<sup>6</sup>Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*

**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

## SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

<sup>9</sup>I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

<sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

*Reader*                      The Word of the Lord.

*People*                      Thanks be to God.

**SEQUENCE SONG: *Spirit of the Living God***

**IVERSON**

## **GOSPEL: John 10:22-30**

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

*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>22</sup>At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>The Father and I are one.”

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **THE SERMON**

**FR. RICK MARSDEN**

### **THE NICENE CREED**

**BCP p. 358**

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM IV)**

**BCP p. 388**

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

**BCP p. 359**

### **THE PEACE**

**BCP p. 360**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**BCP p.376**

### **OFFERTORY SONG: *Holy Forever***

**TOMLIN, WICKHAM**

**INGRAM, J&B JOHNSON**

### **THE DOXOLOGY**

**HYMNAL 380, v.3**

# **The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)** **BCP p. 361**

## **INVITATION** **IONA WORSHIP BOOK**

*Celebrant                      This is the table, not of the Church, but of Jesus Christ.  
It is made ready for those who love him and who want  
to love him more.*

*So come, you who have much faith and you who have  
little; you who have been here often and you who have  
not been for a long time or ever before; you who have  
tried to follow and you who have failed;*

*Come, not because the church invites you; it is Christ,  
and he invites you to meet him here.*

*(Iona Worship Book)*

<b>SURSUM CORDA</b>	<b>BCP p. 361</b>
<b>PROPER PREFACE</b>	<b>BCP p. 361</b>
<b>SANCTUS</b>	<b>ROLAND MARTIN</b>
<b>WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>	<b>BCP p. 362</b>
<b>MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION</b>	<b>BCP p. 363</b>
<b>THE LORD'S PRAYER</b>	<b>BCP p. 364</b>

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

<b>FRACTION ANTHEM: <i>Agnus Dei</i></b>	<b>ROLAND MARTIN</b>
<b>COMMUNION SONGS:</b>	
<b><i>Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless</i></b>	<b>HYMNAL 343</b>
<b><i>May the Road</i></b>	<b>MCKENDREE</b>
<b>POST-COMMUNION PRAYER</b>	<b>BCP p. 365</b>
<b>BLESSING</b>	<b>BCP p. 366</b>
<b>CLOSING SONG: <i>My Savior Lives</i></b>	<b>EGAN &amp; PACKIAM</b>
<b>DISMISSAL</b>	<b>BCP p. 366</b>

**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:**

**VERGER** Andrew Sewell

**ACOLYTE(S)** Krysteen Sewell

**READERS(S)** Luis Urrutia

**CHALICE BEARERS** Mark Landers  
Chuck Whitaker

**USHERS** Caroline Ritchie, Marjorie Krogel

**PROJECTION** Heather Whelan

**CELEBRATION** Andi Daniels-guitar; Jeani Elisha, Thane Reed, Tom Johnson, Bob  
**MUSICIANS** Rupe-mandolin; Bill Holt-piano.

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**Birthdays**

Henry Baker 5/11

Sandy Andrews 5/12

Ken Young 5/12

Jeremiah Baker 5/13

John Cumming 5/14

Phil Derick 5/15

Jan Pullen 5/16

**Anniversaries**

Sean & Johanna Reilly 5/11

Michael & Christy Zimmermann 5/15

Thomas Benjamin & Judy Bennett 5/17



## **Christ Episcopal Church Prayer List**

Rayna Antonelli	Allen Haile	Martha Ryder
Debbie Barten	Susan & Tim Knowles	Alice Sackett
Darryll Breaux	Will Knowles	Kim Sawyer
Dave & Vicki Breneman	Susan Long	Juliana Seese
Daniel Dodson	Carol Niebanck	Marcia Symington
Gil Doyle	Nancy Odell	Jim Vonderhaar
Denise Elswick	Keith Peer	Sheila Young
Henry Fradley	Mahiara Priamo	Jerry Zoller
Jennifer Galligher	Michael Price	Cristiana
		Todd

**May the Souls of all the faithful departed Rest in Peace**

# ***Reflections***

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Christ Church Clergy and Staff	
<u>Clergy</u>	
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The Wardens, Vestry, and Officers of the Parish	
<p>Patrick Whelan (Senior Warden)</p> <p>Bill Forkgen (Junior Warden)</p> <p>Wendy Brown</p> <p>Patricia Handy</p> <p>Carlton Marshall (Clerk)</p>	<p>Debbie McNamee</p> <p>John Meeks</p> <p>Jim Nigrelli</p> <p>Patricia Price</p> <p>Steve Tinsworth</p> <p>Anne Douglass (Chancellor)</p>
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*Christ Episcopal Church*  
*Bradenton, Florida*

## **Our Parish Mission**

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus said, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”