



CHRIST CHURCH

IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Sunday, May 18, 2025

The Fifth 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

**In Loving Memory
Of
Beth and Tom Duncan**

**Given by
PK and George Isiminger**

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

BRIAN DOERKSEN

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

SONG 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.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; 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.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

JOHANNA REILLY

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

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the

circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 148

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; *

praise him in the heights.

²Praise him, all you angels of his; *

praise him, all his host.

³Praise him, sun and moon; *

praise him, all you shining stars.

⁴Praise him, heaven of heavens, *

and you waters above the heavens.

⁵Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *

for he commanded, and they were created.

⁶He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *

he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

⁷Praise the LORD from the earth, *

you sea-monsters and all deeps;

⁸Fire and hail, snow and fog, *

tempestuous wind, doing his will;

⁹Mountains and all hills, *

fruit trees and all cedars;

¹⁰Wild beasts and all cattle, *

creeping things and wingèd birds;

¹¹Kings of the earth and all peoples, *

princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²Young men and maidens, *

old and young together.

¹³Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *

for his Name only is exalted,

his splendor is over earth and heaven.

¹⁴He has raised up strength for his people

and praise for all his loyal servants, *

the children of Israel, a people who are near him.

Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE SONG: *Thy Word*

GRANT & SMITH

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³¹[At the last supper, when Judas] had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I

have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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

THE SERMON	FR. RICK MARSDEN
THE NICENE CREED	BCP 358
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM IV)	BCP 388
CONFESSION OF SIN	BCP 359
THE PEACE	BCP 360
ANNOUNCEMENTS	

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE	BCP 376
OFFERTORY SONG: <i>Power of the Cross</i>	GETTY & TOWNEND
THE DOXOLOGY	HYMNAL 380, v.3

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)	BCP 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.*

SURSUM CORDA	BCP 361
PROPER PREFACE	BCP 361
SANCTUS	ROLAND MARTIN
WORDS OF INSTITUTION	BCP 362
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION	BCP 363
THE LORD'S PRAYER	BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM: <i>Agnus Dei</i>	ROLAND MARTIN
COMMUNION SONGS	
<i>Seek ye first the kingdom of God</i>	HYMNAL 711
<i>May the Road</i>	LEE TURNER
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP p. 365
BLESSING	BCP p. 366
CLOSING SONG	TOMLIN, BARRETT & INGRAM
<i>Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly</i>	
DISMISSAL	BCP 366



ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY:

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Lois Lynn Bellemare

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PROJECTION Carlton Marshall

CELEBRATION Beth VonEnde-piano; Jeani Elisha, Thane Reed, Bob Rupe
MUSICIANS Tom Johnson

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Birthdays

Corbin Herba 5/18

Stephanie Southerland 5/18

Emily Castellina 5/22

Wylene Graham 5/22

Judy McQueen 5/23

Anniversaries

Richard Lilley & Carmen Letelier 5/18

Rick & Terri Teigland 5/20

Mike & Sandra Connolly 5/21

George & Sally Marcello 5/21

Christ Episcopal Church Prayer List

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

May the Souls of all the faithful departed Rest in Peace

Christ Church Clergy and Staff	
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The Wardens, Vestry, and Officers of the Parish	
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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.”