HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

· August 20, 2023 · 7:30 a.m. · Church ·
WORSHIP GROW LOVE

All things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

Worship, Grow, Love. These are the three pillars of our life as a church community. Everything we do is supported by a combination of these three parts of our common life. Over the next three Sundays through a series of Ministry Fairs in Westbury Hall we invite you to meet the people who are leading and serving in ministry at Christ Church, and learn how to get involved. Each week we will focus on one of the three pillars: WORSHIP, GROW, LOVE.

WORSHIP

Our wide variety of worship experiences meet people where they are and invite them into deeper love and relationship with God and one another.

Many hands are involved on Sunday and throughout the week, to allow us to worship indoors, outdoors, and online. WORSHIP ministry service opportunities will be highlighted on Sunday, August 13.

GROW

Our individual faith is formed, and our community strengthened as we grow through increased participation in small groups, and in fellowship as a church family.

We thrive and grow as a community of faith in a robust “Sunday School” faith formation program for all ages. Adult, youth, and children’s formation, a myriad of opportunities for fellowship and hospitality, special events, welcoming newcomers, and celebrating the arts, all of these will be featured on August 20 as we delve into what it means to GROW at Christ Church.

LOVE

We share God’s love with one another, our community, and the world, through faithful giving and service.

On Sunday, August 27 we will look at the ways we share God’s LOVE through the pastoral care and community outreach ministries of Christ Church. Learn the many ways we help our parishioners in times of need, and how we are connecting with our community outreach partners to find and engage in community service opportunities.

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Welcome to Christ Church Ponte Vedra Beach! We are delighted to have you worship with us. In order to prepare for this service, we ask that you silence your phone. Thank you!

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Organ Medley

Please stand.

Processional Hymn 371  Thou, Whose Almighty Word

Thou, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight; hear us, we humbly pray,
And, where the Gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!

Thou who didst come to bring on thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight, health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind, now to all humankind,
Let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth thy flight! Move on the waters’ face
Bearing the gifts of grace, and, in earth’s darkest place,
Let there be light!

Holy and blesséd Three, glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might; boundless as ocean’s tide,
Rolling in fullest pride, through the world, far and wide,
Let there be light!

Welcome Words

Opening Sentences  Page 323, The Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People  And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

S 204, The Hymnal

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace,
Good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
Art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast given thy only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
The Reading

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant-- these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15:10-28

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”
Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon: The Reverend Thomas Reeder

Please stand.


You may kneel.

The Prayers of the People: Page 328, The Book of Common Prayer

The Confession: Page 331, The Book of Common Prayer

Please stand.

The Peace: Page 332, The Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And with thy spirit.

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements
THE HOLY COMMUNION

To make an offering online visit ccpvb.org/give. Thank you for your support.

Offertory Anthem

*Your Love Is Worthy of Praise*

Cindy Ovokaitys and Matt Limbaugh
Joseph Murray and Stephanie Bennie, Soloists

You have opened the heavens on high, and sent the gentle rain.
The skies have shown Your favor to us.
From age to age, Your goodness remains.
Now, our land yields a harvest untold; a blessing from above.
We join as one to give You our thanks.
Our grateful hearts rejoice in Your love!

Refrain:
Your love is worthy of praise; deserving tributes of thanks!
With gratitude, we worship You! Surely Your love, Lord, is worthy of praise!

You forever are faithful to us, and gladly meet our needs.
We see Your hands do wonderful things.
How great are all Your marvelous deeds! *Refrain.*

With voices united, our praises we offer.
Songs of thanksgiving to You we now raise.
Your strong arm will guide us. You stand close beside us!
Savior, Redeemer, forever be praised! *Refrain.*

Yes, surely Your love, Lord, is worthy of praise!

Please stand for the Presentation.

The Presentation

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.
The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I

Page 333, The Book of Common Prayer

Sanctus

S 114, The Hymnal

You may kneel or sit. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer

Page 336, The Book of Common Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Page 337, The Book of Common Prayer

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

Please join us at God’s table.

All people are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are also available. If you would prefer not to take Communion but would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

Ushers will guide you to the altar rail for Communion.

Communion Music

PSB 67 Healer of Our Every Ill

Refrain: Healer of our ev’ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

You, who know our fears and sadness,
Grace us with your peace and gladness,
Spirit of all comfort: Fill our hearts. Refrain.

In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,
Give us all your vision: God of love. Refrain.

Give us strength to love each other,
Ev’ry sister, ev’ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness: Be our guide. Refrain.

You, who know each thought and feeling,
Teach us all your way of healing,
Spirit of compassion: Fill each heart. Refrain.
Postcommunion Prayer  
Page 339, *The Book of Common Prayer*

The Blessing

Please stand.

Recessional Hymn 544  
*Jesus Shall Reign*  
Vs. 1, 2 & 5

Jesus shall reign where’er the sun doth his successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;  
His Name like sweet perfume shall rise  
With every morning sacrifice.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud amen.

Dismissal

Celebrant  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude  
*Organ Medley*
Christ Church serves the parish and our community throughout the week in addition to our Sunday services. These are a few of the upcoming and ongoing events you are invited and encouraged to check out, come and see what’s happening on our Ponte Vedra campus and throughout the world. Sunday Service Schedule and bulletins are available at ccpvb.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar Today
In memory of Catherine Kashou by her husband John and her family.

Worship Grow Love Ministry Fairs
August 13-20-27
Westbury Hall Dining Room
TODAY: “GROW” FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRIES
Opportunities for service in ministries of the church will be highlighted during three consecutive weeks. Today learn how we welcome everyone into our community of faith as we grow through faith formation for all ages, fellowship, study, the arts and much more! Stop by the tables, meet the ministry teams, learn more and make connections.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Sunday Breakfast
8:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m., Dining Room
Enjoy a freshly prepared breakfast, with something for everyone. $7 per person, $28 family max.

Nursery Care
Nursery care is available on Sundays from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., for children ages four months to five years old, with advance registration. Details at ccpvb.org. Please contact Jennifer De Rycker at JDeRycker@ccpvb.org with any questions.

Summer Children’s Church
Sundays through August 27
9 a.m. traditional service
In the 9:00 traditional service, children age 4 through 5th grade have the option of joining us for Summer Children’s Church – leaving the sanctuary with adult leaders just before the readings for a kid-friendly lesson, and returning to the service for communion. Sign-up is not required. Adult and youth volunteers are needed - please contact Catherine Montgomery, cmontgomery@ccpvb.org.

Youth Formation
Youth Formation is on break until September 10, but youth are encouraged to sign up to volunteer with Summer Children’s Church during the 9:00 traditional service each Sunday. Please reach out to Brooks Slater or Catherine Montgomery for more information or to sign up!
Newcomers Coffee & Conversation
10:15 a.m.
Westbury Dining Hall (first table on right)
If you’ve started attending church here or it’s your first visit, please join us for breakfast and conversation. Look for the table with the Newcomers/Guest sign - we’d love to meet you, hear your questions and share more about Christ Church. All are welcome!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Formation + Arts Building
10:15 - 11:00 a.m.

Clergy Forum is on hiatus and will resume on Sept. 10
Please visit the Worship Grow Love ministry fair in the Westbury Hall Dining Room during this time to learn how you can get connected to service opportunities here and in the community.

COMMUNITY CIRCLES
These small groups provide space for connection and growing in faith. If you are interested in leading or facilitating a circle, or for more information contact Rev Amy Slater at aslater@ccpvb.org

Parents Circle
Over the summer, parents are invited to enjoy breakfast in the dining room together while the children are in their Formation class.

Bible Study Circle
Room F204
Join leader Gabe Bove as we explore the Bible, how it relates to our everyday life and enjoy rich discussion and fellowship. New members are welcome.

THIS WEEK

Cursillo Men Fourth Day
Mondays 5 p.m., Room F 202
This group is open to all men who attended a Cursillo Weekend. For those interested in attending or grouping at other days and times advise us at cursilloccpvb@gmail.com.

Vestry Meeting
Aug 22, 5:15 p.m. Room F 204
Monthly meeting of the Christ Church Vestry, open to all. For more information contact Vestry Jr. Warden Brian Mickley, brianmickley@comcast.net.

Holy Eucharist Rite II
Wednesday 5:30 p.m., The Cooper Chapel
A quiet and reflective Eucharistic service with candle lighting.

Join the Choir
Adults and high school students are invited to sing with the Chancel Choir in the 11:15 a.m. traditional service each Sunday. Men’s and women’s ensembles sing for both 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. services once a month. And please let us know if you’d like to join the Handbell Choir! If you are interested or have questions please contact Dr. Rachel Root, rroot@ccpvb.org.

Choir Rehearsals
Wednesdays, in the Choir Room, Formation + Arts Building.
Women’s Ensemble, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Men’s Ensemble, 7:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir, 7:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
Contact Dr. Rachel Root for more information: rroot@ccpvb.org.
Men’s Bible Study
Fridays 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
Westbury Hall Dining Room or on Zoom
Men of all ages are welcome. Come as you are, leave transformed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Ministry Fall Kick-Off
Aug 23, 2023
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Youth House
All rising 6th-12th grade students and their families are invited to join us for dinner to kick-off another exciting year of youth programs at the Youth House! Please RSVP to Brooks Slater (bslater@ccpvb.org) if you plan on attending by August 18.

Children’s Choir Kick-off
Wednesday, August 23
5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
All 4 year olds through 5th grade students are invited to join our children’s choir. We meet every Wednesday from 5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please note the time change. Our first rehearsal will be an ice cream party. For more information, please contact wendy.waller@comcast.net or sbennie@ccpvb.org

Wednesday Youth Programs Return
Wednesday, August 30
3:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Homework and Hangs, Low Tide, and High Tide are back starting August 30 at the Youth House! These spaces for youth are open to all 6-12th grade students and are designed to build new friendships, deepen our connection to Christ, and help us to see how God is present in our lives and communities. All are welcome!

Women in the Word Bible Study
Resumes Wednesday, September 6
7:00 p.m., Westbury Hall 2nd floor, Conference Room
Studying the first eighteen chapters of Exodus, guided by Jen Wilkin’s GOD OF DELIVERANCE. Study guides with video access will be available for purchase at the first several meetings. Please reach out to Mary Ann Reynolds (mahrey51@aol.com), Kay Verble (ksvpvb@gmail.com), or Jane Wallace (Wilsonssidekick@gmail.com) to reserve a copy.

Lighthouse Youth and Parent Communities
Thursday, September 7, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
These two nonreligious gatherings are open to LGBTQIA+ middle and high school students and their families in Jacksonville and the Beaches area, including people of all faiths and no faith. For more information, to RSVP for the first time, or to inquire about volunteering in this ministry, please contact Catherine Montgomery at thelighthouseflorida@gmail.com.

Third-Grade Bible Presentation
Sunday, September 10, 9:00 Traditional
Christ Church is pleased to present personalized, leather-bound NRSV Bibles to our third graders again this year! This gift is intended to become a lifelong treasure - God's word to guide our children both inside and outside the walls of our church, as well as a tangible symbol of our community's investment in their faith formation.

Volunteers are needed to help support youth staff during these meetings, please reach out to Brooks Slater (bslater@ccpvb.org) if you are interested.
To be included in the bible presentation, there’s an online form which must be completed no later than August 20. Contact the Rev. Laura Magevney, Limagevney@ccpvb.org for details.

**Children’s Formation Classes Begin**

Sunday, September 10
10:15 - 11:00, Second Floor of F+A Building

Children’s faith formation classes for age 3 through 5th grade begin Sept 10. Check-in begins at 10:00 in the second floor lobby of the Formation + Arts Building. There are three Godly Play classes for age 3-4 (room 221), age 5 - Kindergarten (room 220), and grades 1-2 (room 220). Grades 3-5 meet in room 224 for Feasting on the Word. New families are asked to complete a one-time registration at ccpvb.org. For more information, contact Rev. Laura Magevney at Limagevney@ccpvb.org.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Community Oyster Roast + Cookout at Christ Church**

Friday, September 15
6-9 p.m. in the Courtyard & Westbury Hall

Tickets are available at ccpvb.org, during ministry fairs or at the front desk (cash or check) $30 per adult, $15 per child, $120 max for immediate family.

**Movie Night with Facing Racism**

Tuesday, September 26, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Parish Center Dining Room

Emanuel: A poignant documentary about the Charleston church massacre. Featuring intimate interviews with survivors and family, Emanuel is a story of loss, love, faith, and the healing power of forgiveness. The film will be followed by small group discussion. The evening is suitable for adults and senior high youth. A pizza dinner will be available beginning at 5:30 p.m. Registration opens soon. Questions: frbobbylee2002@yahoo.com.

**Cursillo Weekends**

+ Men’s Cursillo #146
  Thursday October 5 - Sunday October 8
+ Women’s Cursillo #146
  Thursday October 12 - Sunday October 15

Registration for Cursillo #146 is live through August 31 at the Camp Weed website. Financial assistance may be available. Contact Ron Kessner at 904.866.0096 or cursilloccpvb@gmail.com with any questions.

+ Welcoming Ultreya Saturday November 4

Oct 4 St Francis Celebration in the courtyard
Oct 5-7 Creative Academy Presents Aladdin Jr. Tickets go on sale August 28
Oct 25 Trunk or Treat
Oct 28 Jacksonville Watercolor Society exhibit open house.
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STAY CONNECTED

Share the Love
Invite a friend or neighbor to Sunday Breakfast with your church family!

Reach Out
Need help? Let us know what’s happening in your life. We are here for you.

Come Serve with Us
Let us know if you’d like to share your gifts of time and talent. We need your helping hands!

Pass The Plate
Make a gift or catch up on your pledge online. THANK YOU for your faithful giving to the work of the church.
Worship Services

7:30 a.m. Church Sanctuary Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m. Church Sanctuary Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m. Cooper Chapel Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m. Parish Center, 2nd floor Jordan Service
9:00 a.m. NSIA Community Center Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m. Church Sanctuary Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m. Parish Center, 2nd floor Jordan Service
12:45 p.m. Parish Center, 2nd floor Spanish-language Service
5:00 p.m. Church Sanctuary Contemplative Service
5:30 p.m. (Wed) Cooper Chapel Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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