

Christ Church Episcopal

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II ST. MATTHEW APOSTLE

· Wednesday, September 24, 2025 · Chapel · 5:30 p.m. ·

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Opening Sentences Page 355, The Book of Common Prayer

Glory Page 356, The Book of Common Prayer

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 9:9-13

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner* in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting* with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

Reflection *The Reverend Andreis Diaz*

You may kneel or sit.

The Prayers of the People Form III, Page 387, The Book of Common Prayer

Confession Page 360, The Book of Common Prayer

Candle Lighting

We continue our prayers through the lighting of votive candles as a symbol of our love and concern for others. You are welcome to light a single candle as a symbol of your prayers.

Please stand.

The Peace Page 360, The Book of Common Prayer

Please be seated.

Announcements

To make an offering online visit ccpvb.org/give or scan this code.
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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Page 364, The Book of Common Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread Page 364, The Book of Common Prayer

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

Please join us at God's table.

All people, including children, 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.

Communion Music

You may kneel or sit.

Postcommunion Prayer Page 365, The Book of Common Prayer

The Blessing

Please stand.

Final Hymn

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

UPCOMING EVENTS

TONIGHT – Wednesday Night Dinners resume! Contact Mel at melissa.kurz.johnson@gmail.com to help volunteer.

Amistad Mission - September 28

10:15 - 11:00 am. Rooms 111-113

Please join us to learn more about this Christian ministry for abandoned children in Cochabamba, Bolivia. US Exec. Dir. Chris King will be here with a presentation and updates on the lives being changed by this transformative ministry.

Blessing of the Pets

Wednesday, October 1 at 5:30 in the Courtyard. Join us at 5:00 for a family-friendly lesson on St. Francis of Assisi!

DID YOU KNOW? An Evening Celebrating Contributions of People of ColorSponsored by TRUE: Transforming Racial Understanding &



Engagement. *Contemporary Worship Space, Friday, October 3, 6:30-8:30 pm.*Learn more and register here.

Grace and Gardens Pilgrimage to England-(September 2026) – Informational Meeting Sunday October 5 from 10:15-11:00 in Rooms 111-113

Come and learn about this once in a lifetime pilgrimage to England offering special access to amazing sites.

Joyful Friends 75+ - October 7

Dining Room from 11:30-1:00

Join for lunch, fellowship, and a discussion on how to create a container garden. Sign up online or at the front office; contact Lois Ann or Heather at joyfulfriends@ccpvb.org with questions.

Caregiver Connect

Wednesday, October 8th from 4-5:30pm

Join us support and spiritual rest with fellow journeyers. Quarterly gatherings will be offered. Contact: Candice Tiner at caregivers@ccpvb.org

Youth Fall Retreat at Camp Weed

Saturday October 11th 12PM - Sunday October 12th 11AM

6th-12th graders are invited to the Fall Retreat at Camp Weed 2025! Scan here for more information and registration here.



Christ Church ICARE House Meeting

October 28 at 6:00 pm - Room 106 ICARE Associate Director, Amanda Nelson, will share news of ICARE's current justice ministry work and share our ideas for creating a better community for everyone.

RSVP to Mary Watson at mvw172@gmail.com



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**For our regular, recurring weekly activities and groups, please see our event calendar.

FALL PREVIEW

Get excited for the fall! Unless otherwise noted, these groups will begin Sunday, September 7. Check back weekly for updates and new items.

Positive Parenting (200): Guided conversations around Christian parenting. Led by Dr. Amy Hardman and child therapist Vivian Bowlus. Meeting dates: September 14 – October 27. Contact: Amy Schmitt at aschmitt@ccpvb.org

Scott Burch Bible Study (200): Excavating the Bible: How Archaeology & Historical Texts Can Help Us Interpret the Bible This year we will explore what ancient historical records and archaeological finds can tell us about ancient Israel, the people who lived there, and their understanding of God. Begins Oct 5th.

Contact: scottburch@yahoo.com