



**CHRIST  
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*Transforming lives together,  
through the love of God, in Christ*

**HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter*

· May 10, 2026 · 9:00 a.m. · Church ·

## A New Song for Our Community

Christ Church is excited to welcome a new chapter in our life together as Stephanie Murray steps into the role of Worship and Family Music Director.

Stephanie brings warmth, enthusiasm, and nearly 30 years of music education experience to this role. A graduate of Concordia College with degrees in Music Education and Psychology, she has spent her life shaping children through music—in classrooms, churches, concert settings, private lessons, and theater. Many at Christ Church already know her through her wide-ranging service as preschool music teacher, children’s choir director, pastoral care coordinator, and most recently, Director of Operations.



For Stephanie, this new role is deeply personal. Having grown up as a preacher’s daughter where every member of her family played a part, she experienced firsthand what it means for children to feel known, valued, and included in the life of the church. That same vision now guides her work: to help every child and youth feel that they belong, that they matter, and that they have a place in worship.

This new music ministry will focus on building community through song, including the formation of a children and youth choir that will sing regularly in our weekend services. While striving for musical excellence, Stephanie’s deepest hope is to create a space where connection, confidence, and faith can grow together. With experience as a volleyball and running coach, a scoutmaster, and a crisis counselor, Stephanie brings a deep understanding of children from all walks of life and is passionate about the belief that music is for everyone. This ministry is for all children and youth—not just those with musical or theater experience, but anyone seeking a place to belong.

Stephanie also welcomes adults who feels called to be part of this growing ministry. Musical experience is not required—only a willing heart.

She will continue to lead key parish events, including the Oyster Roast and Celtic Celebration.

Youth, spend time with Stephanie this summer! She will lead two exciting theater camps this July. Rising 1st–4th graders will rehearse and perform *Three of a Kind*, a delightful 30-minute musical featuring favorite characters that come in threes, while enjoying a week of theater games, singing, acting, dancing, and costume design. Rising 5th–8th graders are invited to a dynamic week of musical theater featuring the award-winning *Golly Gee Whiz!*, where campers will sing, act, dance, and help design sets, costumes, and props—all culminating in a final performance.

Information and registration for both camps can be found on the church website or by contacting Stephanie directly at [smurray@ccpvb.org](mailto:smurray@ccpvb.org).

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

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Prelude

*Bind Us Together from Modern Moveable Feast*

*Refrain* Bind us together, Lord,  
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.  
There is only one Body; that is why we can sing. *Refrain*

You are the fam'ly of God. You are the promise divine.  
You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious new wine. *Refrain*

*Be Not Dismayed Whate'er Betide from Modern Moveable Feast*

Be not dismayed, whate'er betide,  
God will take care of you;  
Beneath his wings of love, abide,  
God will take care of you.

*Refrain* God will take care of you, through ev'ry day, o'er all the way;  
God will take care of you, God will take care of you.

Through days of toil, when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;  
When dangers fierce, your path assail, God will take care of you. *Refrain*

All you may need, he will provide, God will take care of you;  
Nothing you ask will be denied, God will take care of you. *Refrain*

No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you;  
Lean, weary one, upon his breast, God will take care of you. *Refrain*

*When Peace, Like A River*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul!

*Refrain*            It is well, (it is well,) with my soul, (with my soul,)  
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

He lives-oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to his cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

And Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back, as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

**Introit**

*Hark! I Hear The Harps Eternal*  
Men's Ensemble

Craig Carnahan

Hark! I hear the harps eternal, ringing on the farther shore,  
As I near those swollen waters, with their deep and solemn roar.

*Refrain*            Alleluia, praise the Lamb! Alleluia, glory to the great I AM!

And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day,  
Passes swiftly o'er those waters, to the city far away. *Refrain*

Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest;  
And I hear them singing, faintly, in the mansions of the blest. *Refrain*

*Please stand.*

**Processional Hymn 398**    *I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,  
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
The moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
He formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,  
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known;  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;  
While all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,  
And everywhere that I could be, thou, God, art present there.

**Welcome Words**

**Opening Sentences**                      Page 355, *The Book of Common Prayer*

*Celebrant*            Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People**            **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**The Collect for Purity**

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

## Soli Deo Gloria

*Glory to God Alone*

Zschech, Smith & Wong

*Soloist*

We come before your throne to worship and adore.

Worthy is the Lamb, amen.

Soli Deo Gloria. All glory to God alone. Oh, Gloria.

Robed in majesty, our servant and our King.

Behold the Great I Am, Amen. *Refrain*

*Please join in singing the Refrain.*

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: So - li De - o Glo - ri - a. All glo - ry to God a - lone. So - li De - o Glor - ri - a. All glo - ry to God a - lone. Oh, Glo - ri - a.

*Soloist*

The hope of every heart, Love, is here with us;

Desire of the nations, Amen. Amen. *Refrain*

## The Collect

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

**People**

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The children follow the cross to Children's Church.*

*Please be seated.*

*(Lector: Please wait for children to exit before starting The Reading)*

## **First Reading**

*Lector*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

**Gospel Song Hymn 405**     *All Things Bright and Beautiful*     Refrain, Vs. 1 & 2

*Refrain*     All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings. *Refrain*

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
The sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky. *Refrain*

## **The Gospel**

*Gospeler*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John     14:15-21

**People**     **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

*Gospeler*     The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**     **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Gospel Response**     **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!** (*Sing twice*)

*Please be seated.*

**The Sermon**     *The Reverend Andreis Diaz*

*Please stand.*

**The Nicene Creed**                      Page 358, *The Book of Common Prayer*

*You may kneel or sit.*

**The Prayers of the People, Form IV**                      Page 388, *The Book of Common Prayer*

*Please stand.*

**The Peace**                                      Page 360, *The Book of Common Prayer*

*Celebrant*                      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**                      **And also with you.**

*Please be seated. The children return.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Anthem**                      *If I Stand*  
Common Ground

There's more that rises in the morning than the sun,  
And more that shines in the night than just the moon.  
It's more than just this fire here that keeps me warm,  
And a shelter that is larger than this room.

*Refrain*                      And there's a loyalty that's deeper than mere sentiments,  
And a music higher than the songs I can sing.  
The stuff of earth competes for the allegiance I owe  
Only to the Giver of all good things, so if I stand,  
Let me stand on the promise that You will pull me through.  
And if I can't, let me fall on  
The grace that first brought me to You.

And if I sing, let me sing for the joy  
That has born in me these songs.  
And if I weep, let it be as a man who is longing for his home.

And there's more that dances on the prairies than the wind,  
And more that pulses in the ocean than the tide.  
There's a love that is fiercer than the love between friends,  
More gentle than a mother's when her baby's at her side. *Refrain*

If I stand, let me stand, Lord. If I stand, let me stand on Your promises.  
Let me stand!

*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.**

*Psalm 17 is sung as the children proceeds to the altar area.*

Keep me, keep me, as the apple of the eye.  
Hide, me, hide me, in the shadow of your wings.

*Please stand*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer B** Page 367, *The Book of Common Prayer*

**Sanctus** S 129, *The Hymnal*

*You may kneel or sit. The Celebrant continues with the 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. The ushers will guide you to the altar rail for Communion.*

## **Communion Music**

### **PSB 112**      *Lord of the Dance*

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon, and the stars, and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven, and I danced on the earth.  
At Bethlehem, I had my birth. Refrain

*Refrain*              Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
                              "I am the Lord of the Dance", said he.  
                              "And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
                              And I'll lead you all in the dance", said He.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
But they would not dance, and they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
They came to me, and the dance went on. *Refrain*

I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame,  
The holy people said it was a shame;  
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;  
And they left me there on a cross to die. *Refrain*

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;  
They buried my body, and they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the dance, and I still go on. *Refrain*

They cut me down and I leapt up high,  
I am the life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
"I am the Lord of the Dance", said he. *Refrain*

**PSB 146**      *Prayer of St. Francis*

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master, grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood, as to understand,  
To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are  
Pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

## **Sending the Eucharistic Visitors**

*When present, Eucharistic Visitors are commissioned to carry the Consecrated Gifts of Holy Communion to those who are unable, due to illness or impairment, to join us for Sunday services.*

*Celebrant*      In the name of Christ Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People**      **We who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*You may kneel or sit.*

**Postcommunion Prayer**      Page 365, *The Book of Common Prayer*

## **The Blessing**

*Please stand.*

**Recessional Hymn 400**      *All Creatures of Our God and King*      Vs. 1, 2 & 7

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voices, let us sing:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Bright burning sun with golden beams,  
Pale silver moon that gently gleams,

*Refrain*      O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Great rushing winds and breezes soft,  
You clouds that ride the heavens aloft,  
O praise him, Alleluia!  
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,  
Stars nightly shining, find a voice: *Refrain*

Let all things their creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness,  
O praise him, Alleluia!  
Praise God, the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One: *Refrain*

## **Dismissal**

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

**People**      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## **Postlude**

## TODAY, Sunday May 10

### **The Holy Spirit: God's Presence and Power at Work in Us** – a clergy-led class

April 19- May 17 | 10:15-11am | Room 106

A delicious **Breakfast** will be served from 8:15am - 10:45am. \$10/adult, \$7/children under 8; \$34 family max.

**Nursery Care** - Available from 8:45am to 12:30pm; ages four months to 5.

### **Children's Chapel**

9:15 am | Hospitality Lobby

### **Children's Formation**

10:15-11:00am | Meet in the F&A Building

### **Gabe Bove Bible Study (100)**

10:15 – 11:00 | F209

**Scott Burch Bible Study (200): Excavating the Bible** 10:15 – 11:00 am | F224

**Youth Forum** | 10:15-11:00am

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School! Contact Amy Schmitt at 703-300-5024 to learn more or sign up here:



## SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

**May 12 - Joyful Friends 75+**

**11:30 am | Dining Room**

Join us for lunch and a special event featuring an interactive talk about Canine Companions

service and therapy dogs. Not only will you have the opportunity to learn about the training and work of these remarkable dogs, we will have a few pups at the event who will demonstrate their skills that will enhance the lives of people with disabilities. Please RSVP to the main office or through the church website.

Join us for **Wednesday Night Dinner** from 5:45-7:00pm. \$10 adults / \$7 kids / \$34 family max. This Week: Smorgasboard!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### **Finance Committee Meeting**

**May 19 | 4:00 p.m. | Room F 204**

Monthly meeting of the finance committee, open to all.

### **Bilingual Service on Pentecost Sunday**

**May 24 | 11:15 a.m. | Contemporary**

### **Worship Space**

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability”. (Acts 2:4)

Join us for this spiritual feast of the Spirit with music, preaching, and the breaking of bread in a multicultural and joyful celebration of our faith. The service will be followed by a potluck lunch in the Parish Hall. You are invited to bring a favorite dish to share.

### **Caregivers Connection Support Group**

**May 26 | 4-5:30pm | Room F209** Let's come

together and support each other as we walk our caregiver journeys together. Snacks and listening hearts provided! Email [caregivers@ccpvb.org](mailto:caregivers@ccpvb.org) with questions.

**Beaches Habitat for Humanity Faith Build**  
May 30 | Sign up is required; contact Doug Knowles at [doug.knowles@alumni.duke.edu](mailto:doug.knowles@alumni.duke.edu) with any questions.

**JUST JULY: A Summer Book Study**  
Wednesdays in July | 10:00-11:00 AM | F106  
Father Eric will host a midsummer book study on Wednesdays in July on *With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God* written by Skye Jethani. With explores the narrative of the Bible to show that we were created to be with God, and that restoring this connection is his mission. Instead of life over, under, from or even for God, what leads us into freedom and restoration is life **with** God. Visit [ccpvb.org](http://ccpvb.org) for more info.

**Join a Choir** – High School Students & Adults  
Questions? Contact Dr. Rachel Root at [rroot@ccpvb.org](mailto:rroot@ccpvb.org)  
**Women's Ensemble** – Rehearse Wednesdays 6:30-7 pm, sings monthly at 9 & 11:15 am  
**Men's Ensemble** - Rehearse Wednesdays 6:30-7 pm, sings monthly at 7:30, 9 & 11:15  
**Chancel Choir** - Rehearse Wednesdays 7-8pm, sings weekly at 11:15 am  
**Handbell Choir** - Rehearse Thursdays 6-7 pm, plays monthly at either 9 or 11:15  
**Children's Choir** - Rehearse Wednesdays 5:15-6pm in F and A building room 124

## SUMMER CAMPS AT CHRIST CHURCH

Scan for more information:



**Nourishing Eats Culinary Camp – 3 Sessions**  
June 16–18, June 29-July 1, July 13-15  
8:30 AM–12:30 PM

**Theater Camps Led by Stephanie Murray**  
*Three of a Kind* | July 13–17 | 9AM–12PM  
Rising 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders

**Golly Gee Whiz** | July 27–31 | 3:00–6:00 PM  
Rising 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders

**General Warning - Phishing & Other Scams**  
Please note that all of our clergy and some of our lay staff continue to be victims of phishing attempts and other online scams. There is nothing that we can do to stop these attacks apart from warning you about them. Please note on the church website ([www.ccpvb.org](http://www.ccpvb.org)) the real and valid email addresses of our clergy and staff. Phishing attacks work by taking our valid email addresses and changing them just a little bit. The scammers then impersonate the clergy or staff, using these faked email addresses, sending emails to you (yes, they have your email address as well), asking for money or gift cards. **Please do not fall for this scam.** No one from this church will ever ask you for gift cards. And please pray for the scammers, that they may repent from their thieving ways, and give their life to Jesus!

## 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.	Cooper Chapel	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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### Vestry

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