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

HOLY EUCHARIST: CONTEMPLATIVE

The Feast of Independence Day

· July 5, 2026 · 5:00 p.m. · Church ·

*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

Silence for Prayer

This contemplative service is preceded by a period of silence at 4:50 p.m.

Prelude

Intrumental music

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

Opening Sentences

Leader Creator of the cosmos, of eternity and time:

People **Be with us in this time.**

Saviour of the world, healer of the nations:

Be with us in this place.

Breath of all that lives, of people near and far:

Stir within our lives.

Maker-Spirit-Son, God of here and now: Be present in our worship,

That we may find new ways to be present in your world.

First Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Charles Wesley

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down,

Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;

Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;

Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,

Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;

Let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee:

Changed from glory into glory, 'till in heaven we take our place,

'Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Prayer for the Evening

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Bless our beautiful land, O Lord, with its wonderful variety of people, of races, cultures and languages. May we be a nation of laughter and joy, of justice and reconciliation, of peace and unity, of compassion, caring and sharing. We pray this, in the powerful name of Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Gospel

Leader A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

5:43-48

People **Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest!**

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Leader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

One minute of silence follows.

Reflection

Pedro Figueroa

A reflection is essentially based on a personal experience and is a great way to share what God is doing in our lives. When we listen to what God is doing in our brothers' and sisters' lives, we are likely to grow in greater awareness of how God works in our own lives.

One minute of silence follows.

Music for Meditation

You may stand or kneel.

Litany of Healing

Page 148, *The Book of Occasional Services*

Leader

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.
God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

People

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life:

Heal us, and make us whole.

Leader

Open us to your healing power, O God. We entrust ourselves to your care, knowing that you are doing for us and for all the world far better things than we can ask or imagine. With you as our companion and guide, strengthen us to hope for all that is good, and to fear no evil. For your love is stronger than death, and your faithfulness reaches to the heavens; and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Candlelighting

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

Candles are located at the front of the main aisle to the left and right.

Please stand.

The Peace

Celebrant

Jesus says: My Peace I give to you. Do not be afraid. I call you my friend.

Abide in my love. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

He Will Carry You

Scott Wesley Brown

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

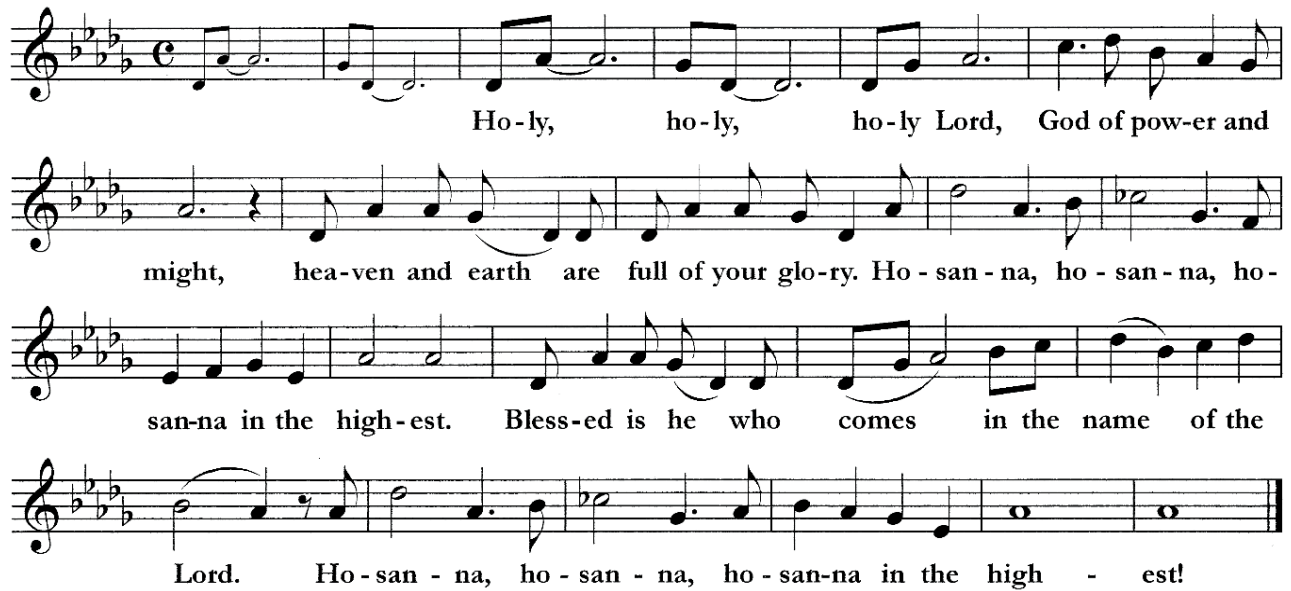
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues

O God of mystery and promise, you invite us to discover you in the intimate places of ourselves and our lives. You invite us to discover you within the complexities of our humanity, in passionate and tender loving, in struggle and pain, in confusion and unknowing, in flashes of insight and wisdom. You also call us beyond ourselves to places of imagination, beyond the silent stars, in the deep rhythms of the ocean, in the unending cycles of day and night, seasons of life and death. With saints and ancestors, with the seas and earth and sky, with animals and birds, with our friends and those unknown to us, with all creation we join in the song of your unending glory:

Sanctus



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est!

Celebrant continues

We praise you that in Jesus you make known to us the wonder and richness of our humanity. We give thanks for his life-giving love, for his healing touch, for his vulnerability and for his gentleness. Before he gave up his life, he shared his humanity, his flesh and blood with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks for it, broke it and gave it to them, saying:

All together

“This is my own body given for you. Do this to remember me.”

So, too, after they had eaten, he took wine, gave thanks for it and gave it to them, saying:

All together

“This is my blood, poured out in love for you. Do this to remember me.”

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:


All together

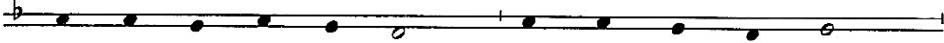
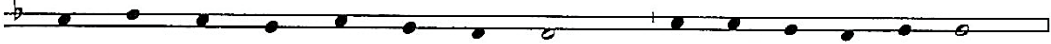
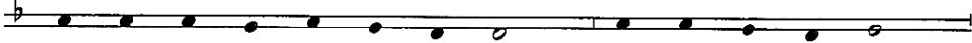
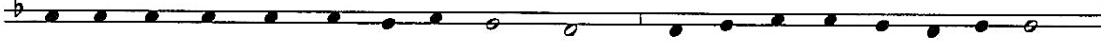
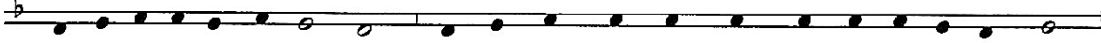
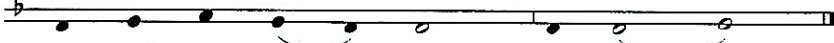
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant continues

Come now, Spirit of God, and as we eat and drink these bodily things, make us one body, food for the world, one blood to be poured out for the life of all. Touch us with your gentle creativity and fire us with longing for the new age of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus who gave his body that we might be one and his blood that we might find new life. With him, and through him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be to you, O God, all honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Cantor 
As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us we now pray,

All 
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins

as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al,

and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,

now and for - ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

People **Whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia.**

Lamb of God

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer-cy on us.

Je-sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer-cy on us.

Je-sus, Re - deem - er, re - deem-er of the world, do-na no - bis

pa - cem, do-na no-bis pa - cem, do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Celebrant continues

This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those 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 here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

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.

Healing prayers

During the distribution of Communion, healing prayer will be offered.

All who desire prayer for themselves or others are invited to meet with a prayer partner at the front of the church during Communion.

Communion Music*God Who Is With Us*

Rachel Kamps

God, who is with us
At our beginning and our ending
Be with us now, be with us now
Be with us now. *(Repeat)*

Help us to find You
In the chaos of our lives
Let Your light shine, let Your light shine
Let Your light shine. *(Repeat)*

Guide us through the darkness
To walk in Your ways
All the days of our lives, all the days of our lives.
All the days of our lives. *(Repeat)*

Two minutes of silence follow.

After Communion Music *Just As I Am*

Charlotte Elliott

Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive; wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,
Because thy promise, I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown has broken every barrier down;
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, of thy great love, the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above: O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

After Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks that in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, you awaken us to your indwelling Presence and our true life. Help us to recognize and honor your Presence in one another, to treat each other with reverence and humility, and to become, more and more, the people we already are in you. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The love of the Lord Jesus draws you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthens you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fills your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Music for Meditation

Please stand.

Dismissal

Leader Go with joy: may you be surprised by angels and join in their laughter.
Go with empty hands: may you receive the generosity of others and the blessings of God.
Go with full hearts: may you find opportunities to share all you have been given.
Go in peace.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Instrumental Music

Feel free to depart during the postlude.

Music directed by Ian Bula

TODAY, Sunday July 5

Breakfast: 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 | Lobby

Clergy Forum | 10:15-11:00 | Room 106

Youth Forum | 10:15-11:00am

Bulletins for BEAM at the Local

Bring in your bulletin on Sundays in June and July from 9-4 to our neighborhood Local restaurant, and they will donate 10% of sales to BEAM!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us this summer in supporting Mission House! Bring in Sunscreen, Bug Spray and Deodorant to the office or M25 Room.

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

JUST JULY: A Summer Book Study
Wednesdays in July | 10:00-11:00 AM | F106
Father Eric will host a midsummer book study on *With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God* written by **Skye Jethani**. Visit ccpvb.org for more information.

An Evening of Worship with Rachel
Thursday, July 9 from 7-8pm | Choir Room

Join our own Rachel Kamps for an evening of contemplative worship music. She'll play some old favorites and even some of her

original Psalm songs. We look forward to sharing space in God's presence together!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

"When the Text Talks Back: Building a Way to Read the Parables of Jesus." Sundays
July 12, 19, 26 Room 124 | 10:15-11:00am
Led by retired Navy chaplain Phil Wyrick.
Over three sessions, participants will build their own way of reading the parables of Jesus - his favorite form of teaching, and among his most unsettling. The class is a provocative search: less for settled answers than for the confidence to stand inside the questions these stories raise, and to let the text talk back.

Habitat for Humanity Faith Build

July 18 – Registration Required! Email D.Lan.Knowles@gmail.com

The Christ Church Creative Academy is delighted to announce our fall performance - **Finding Nemo!** Auditions are Saturday, August 8 at 9:00 am in the Choir Room. Children should prepare 16 bars of music to sing with background music. There will be a \$100 participation fee for everyone cast in the show. Questions? Please contact Barb Roberts at barbiekroberts@gmail.com.

Cursillo is pleased to announce upcoming weekends dedicated to bringing Jesus Christ into our daily lives. If you are ready to take the next step in fulfilling your baptismal vows, we invite you to join us.

- Men's Cursillo Weekend
9/24 (6:30 PM) –9/27 (5:00 PM)
- Women's Cursillo Weekend

10/1 (6:30 PM) – 10/4 (5:00 PM)

Registration Deadline: August 17th

For questions, please contact Ron Kessner at Cursilloccpvb@gmail.com or via text at 904-866-0096.

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Nourishing Eats Culinary Camp

(One more sessions!) Ages 8-17

July 13-15 8:30 AM–12:30 PM

Join Chef Jen and Chef Doreen for a fun and hands-on cooking experience at Nourishing Eats Culinary Camp. Campers will explore recipes and techniques inspired by the rich culinary traditions of Europe while learning new kitchen skills. Register online.

Theater & Music Camp: *Three of a Kind*

July 13–17 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Rising 1st-4th graders

Three of a Kind is a delightful 30-minute musical featuring favorite characters that come in threes—bears, little pigs, blind mice, billy goats gruff, musketeers, and more. Campers will enjoy a creative week of theater games, singing, acting, dancing, playing instruments, and designing their own costumes.

Musical Theater Camp: *Golly Gee Whiz*

July 27–31 | 3:00–6:00 PM

Rising 5th–8th grade students are invited to a fun and creative week of musical theater featuring the award-winning show *Golly Gee*

Whiz! Campers will sing, act, dance, play theater games, and help design sets, costumes, and props. The week will conclude with a performance.

General Warning - Phishing & Other Scams

Please note that our clergy and 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) 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!

A Fragrant Offering of a Different Kind - A Gentle Request

Several members of our church family live with allergies or breathing conditions (asthma, COPD, etc.) that can make strong fragrances genuinely uncomfortable. As an act of care and love for those who are affected, we gently ask that everyone refrain from wearing perfume, cologne, or heavily scented products to worship services. This small gesture makes a meaningful difference and helps ensure that everyone can participate fully in our life together. *Thank you for your kindness.*

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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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The world has changed.

And at times we feel further apart than ever before.

But, two things haven't changed:

God's Unwavering Love, and our need for each other.

With that comes the love that Christ Church has for you—all of you.

Because no matter if you attend virtually or in-person.

If you're Episcopalian or Non-Denominational.

Young or Old. Lean Left or Right.

Through the love of Jesus Christ, we are one.

Christ Church is not just a place, it's a community.

It's not just what you do on Sunday, it's how you live every day.

With opportunities to grow, learn, create, worship, praise, connect, serve, and thrive.

We are a church centered around Christ.

We are a community centered around Christ

We are the community of Christ Church.



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