



**CHRIST  
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EPISCOPAL

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

**HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

*The Feast of Independence Day*

• July 5, 2026 • 9:00 a.m. • Chapel

*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

*As the Celebrant enters, please stand.*

### **Introit (Psalm 145:1-9)**

*Celebrant* I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
**People** and bless your Name for ever and ever.

*Celebrant* Every day will I bless you \*  
**All** and praise your Name for ever and ever.

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \*  
there is no end to his greatness.**

**One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
and shall declare your power.**

**I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
and all your marvelous works.**

**They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \*  
and I will tell of your greatness.**

**They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \*  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.**

**The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**The Lord is loving to everyone \*  
and his compassion is over all his works.**

*Celebrant* I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
**People** and bless your Name for ever and ever.

### **Opening Sentences** Page 355, *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, 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.**

## **Gloria**

Page 356, *The Book of Common Prayer*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **The Reading**

*Lector*                    A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy                    10:17-21

The Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

The Word of the Lord.

**People**                    **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## **The Gospel**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 5:43-48

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

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

## **The Sermon**

*The Reverend Christopher Dell*

*Please stand.*

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

*You may kneel or sit.*

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

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

*Please stand.*

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

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**

*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 A**      Page 361, *The Book of Common 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 usher will guide you to the altar rail for Communion.*

*You may kneel or sit.*

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

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

**All**      **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

*Please stand.*

## **Dismissal**

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

**People**      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## 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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> 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](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!

## **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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### Vestry

Gretna Zerebny, Sr. Warden	Janet Burnside, Treasurer	Kathy Blackman, Jr. Warden	
Maggie Bowers	Chris Brownlee	Gordon Deen	Travers Landreth
Katharine Loeb	Doug Long	Justin Udelhofen	
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### Staff Clergy

The Rev. Thomas P. Reeder, Rector  
The Rev. Andreis Diaz, Vice Rector  
The Rev. Amy Slater, Sr. Associate Rector      The Rev. Laura Magevney, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Wendy Billingslea  
The Rev. Keith Oglesby, Vicar for Christ Church Among the Oaks

### Deacons

The Rev. Deacon Leila Quinlan      The Rev. Deacon Priscilla Wodehouse

### Adjunct Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Jim Cooper, Rector Emeritus  
The Rev. Michael Ellis      The Rev. Louanne Loch  
The Rev. Eric Kahl      The Rev. Bob Morris  
The Rev. Burt Shepherd      The Rev. Rich Roos  
The Rev. Joan Bryan, Emeritus  
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### In Formation

Alex Cain, Curate  
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## SERMON NOTES

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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