



CHRIST CHURCH

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

THE JORDAN SERVICES

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

• August 16, 2026 •

Sunday KICKOFF SERIES

Aug 16

Formation & Spirituality

Aug 23

Pastoral Care

Aug 30

Outreach

Come & Learn

**10:15 - 11:00 AM
WESTBURY HALL**



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS RESUME AUG 26!

PARENT INFO SESSION AUG 19!

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ALPHA FOR SPANISH SPEAKERS



Every Friday, September 4–
October 23 | 6:30–8:00 p.m. |
Dining Room

Alpha is a welcoming and engaging course for anyone curious about life's big questions—purpose, meaning, and faith—regardless of their religious background. It began at Holy Trinity Brompton (HTB) Church in London in 1977 and has since grown into a worldwide ministry, translated into more than 100 languages and experienced by millions of people.

For our Spanish congregation, Alpha is an opportunity to welcome new people, strengthen relationships, and create space for our ministry to grow. Each evening includes a **free dinner**, a short presentation on faith, and small-group conversation in a warm and welcoming environment. We encourage you to invite friends, neighbors, coworkers, or family members who speak Spanish or who may be searching for a place to explore faith.

Please join us in praying for this initiative—for our leaders and volunteers, for every guest who will be invited, and for the Holy Spirit to guide each gathering. Also, prayerfully consider whom God may be calling you to invite. Alpha invitation cards are available at the church front desk.

Thank you for your prayers and support. If you have any questions about Alpha, please contact Fr. Andreis at adiaz@ccpvb.org or speak with one of the leaders of our Spanish congregation.

*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!*

Prelude

Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Prayer

**All 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.**

It Really Is Amazing Grace

Phil Wickham

Verse 1

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost
But now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Chorus 1

Singing Hallelujah
There's no chains on me
Thank You Jesus
You have set me free
You welcomed me in
Called me by name
Was dead in my sin
Now I'm dancing on that grave
Hallelujah
It really is amazing grace

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught
My heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did
That grace appear
The hour I first believed

Bridge

I'll testify of what He did
He gave me life, I'm born again
My heart is free, my soul is saved
It really is amazing grace

Tag

It really is, it really is
It really is amazing grace
It really is, it really is
Sing Hallelujah

Chorus 2

Hallelujah

There's no chains on me

Thank You Jesus

You have set me free

You welcomed me in

Called me by name

Was dead in my sin

Now I'm dancing on that grave

Hallelujah

It really is amazing grace

At the 9:00 a.m. Service, children may follow the leader to Children's Church.

Please be seated.

The Reading

Lector 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Song

Lord I Need You

Matt Maher

Verse

Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here, I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

The Gospel

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

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

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.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

Sermon *The Reverend Laura Magevney*

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form I

Leader Let us pray to the Lord.

The People respond **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

Final response **To thee, O Lord our God.**

The Collect

Celebrant Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant 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

Healer

Verse

You hold my every moment
You calm my raging seas
You walk with me through fire
And heal all my disease

Pre-Chorus

I trust in You, I trust in You

Chorus

I believe You're my healer
I believe You are all I need
I believe You're my portion
I believe You're more than enough for me
Jesus, You're all I need
(Repeat from beginning)

Hillsong Worship

Bridge

Nothing is impossible for You
Nothing is impossible
Nothing is impossible for You
You hold my world in Your hands
(REPEAT) (Chorus)

Interlude

More than enough for me
Jesus You're all I need *(REPEAT)*
More than enough for me

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Eucharistic Prayer B

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.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Sanctus (composed by Ian Bula)

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

All Your glory fills the heavens and all the earth.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

Please come forward for Communion.

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

He Arose

Tomme Profitt

Verse 1

Low in the grave He lay
Jesus, my Savior
Waiting the coming day
Jesus, my Lord

Verse 2

Vainly they watch His bed
Jesus, my Savior
Vainly they seal the dead
Jesus, my Lord

Chorus 1

Up from the grave He arose
Up from the grave He arose

Verse 3

Death cannot keep his prey
Jesus, my Savior
He tore the bars away
Jesus, my Lord

Chorus 2

Up from the grave He arose
With a mighty triumph over His foes
He arose a victor
From the dark domain
And He lives forever
With His saints to reign
He arose, He arose, hallelujah
Christ arose.

Bridge

My heart will sing of
The King who forgave me
Left heaven's throne and
He suffered to save me
He rolled the stone away
Rose up from the grave
Worthy is the name Jesus Christ
Hallelujah, He's alive
Hallelujah, He's alive *Repeat*
(Chorus 2)

By Faith

Verse 1

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those
who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

Chorus

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him,
Our soul's reward
Till the race is finished
And the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

Keith & Krystin Getty

Verse 2

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break
the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.
(*Chorus*)

Verse 3

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth

Verse 4

By faith the mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name. (*Chorus*)

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.**

Postcommunion Prayer

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

Dismissal

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

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

Postlude

TODAY, Sunday August 16

Formation and Spirituality Sunday

Aug 16 | 10:15 - 11:00 am | Westbury Hall

Youth Acolyte Training

**Today! 10:15 in the Hospitality Lobby +
Lunch Party for all acolytes at 1:00**

Looking for youth in 6th – 12th grades to serve as acolytes. We will offer training on August 23 as well. Email Mel Johnson at melissa.kurz.johnson@gmail.com for more information.

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

Children's Formation | 10:15-11:00 am | F&A Building

Youth Forum

10:15-11 | Youth House

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in Coffee or Lunch with Father Tom?

Father Tom enjoys getting to know parishioners and would be happy to meet with you over coffee, lunch or any time that is convenient. If you are interested in scheduling a meeting with him, please email his assistant

Elizabeth at ebruington@ccpvb.org. She will be happy to help arrange a convenient date and time.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Registration for youth confirmation class is now open; contact Parker Corey at pcorey@ccpvb.org for more details!

Youth Confirmation is for all those in the 9th-12th grades and above wishing to confirm their baptismal vows and make a mature commitment to Christ and the church.

During Confirmation, baptized persons are "confirmed" in the Christian faith with the laying on of hands by a bishop. Classes will begin in late September and will take place on select Sundays throughout the year, ending with an overnight retreat. Any student interested in joining the Confirmation process should register online by 5PM on September 1st, 2026. **A Parent Info Meeting for Youth Confirmation will be held on August 30.**

August 30 | 10:15-11:00 | Room 204

Join a Choir! Contact Dr. Rachel Root at 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

HAPPENING #157 8PM Friday, September 18- 5PM Sunday, September 20. The candidate application deadline is Aug 23.

Calling all 3rd graders! We will be presenting **Bibles to our 3rd grade students** on September 20 during the 9am Traditional service. Register your child online at ccpvb.org

Registration for **Cursillo fall weekends** ends tomorrow, August 17! Email Ron Kessner at Cursilloccpvb@gmail.com or via text at 904-866-0096.

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Childrens' Choirs

Wednesdays, Room 124

For more information, please reach out to Stephanie Murray (SMurray@ccpvb.org), Worship and Family Music Director

Littlest Choir | 3 year olds – 1st grade

Rehearsals: Wednesdays from 4:30–5:00pm

Children's Choir | 2nd grade – 5th grade

Rehearsals: 5:15pm – 6:00pm

Preschool Art Together, Friday, August 21, 10:00–11:30 a.m. Join us for a fun morning of hands-on art as preschoolers (ages 2–4) and their caregivers create, explore, and enjoy time together. **Cost: \$7 per child.** Register online.

Savvy Job Hunters Virtual Workshop “Using AI in the Job Search”

August 21 | 10:30am – 12:00pm | Zoom
Email savvyjobs@ccpvb.org to register.

Youth Summer Waves Lock-in

Aug 21 @ 7:00 PM - Aug 22 @ 7:00 PM

Come gather at Christ Church for games, ice cream sundaes, and Compline! Cost is \$10 per

youth for the lock-in and you must register online. We will be going to Summer Waves the following day, and pickup will be at 7PM. Cost is \$28 per youth for Summer Waves, and youth are responsible for buying their own tickets prior to the lock-in. Please note that you must also select Saturday, August 22nd as the date for the ticket.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Pastoral Care Sunday

August 23 | 10:15-11:00 am | Westbury Hall

Holy Communion Class (100)

August 23 | 10:15-11:00 am | Room 204

In the Episcopal tradition, all baptized persons are invited to receive communion, including children. Parents, in conversation with their child, determine the best time for their child to receive. The Holy Communion class is designed for parents and children to learn about the sacraments of the Holy Eucharist. During the class, everyone will receive instruction on how to receive the communion bread and wine as they learn about the traditions of our Episcopal worship.

Community of Hope International (COHI) Lunch & Learn

August 23 | 12:15-1:00p | Dining Hall

Community of Hope is a 9 week course to help you learn and grow in relation to God, others and self. In this training you'll learn many skills including developing a balanced rule of life, listening skills, healthy boundaries and compassionate service. The class will be held on Wednesdays from 6-7:30p starting

Sept. 16th. Contact Deacon Leila with questions at Leila@ccpvb.org

Outreach Sunday

August 30 | 10:15-11:00 am | Westbury Hall

Joyful Friends Luncheon

Featuring Maggie FitzRoy on Writing Process and Historical Fiction

September 22 | 11:30 am – 1:00pm | Westbury Hall

RSVP online or at the front office by September 14

Important Reminder About Email and Text Scams

Please be vigilant regarding emails, texts, or other electronic messages that appear to come from Christ Church clergy, deacons, or staff requesting money, gift cards, financial assistance, account information, or any other form of payment. Our clergy and staff continue to be targets of phishing scams and impersonation attempts by criminals who use names and email addresses that may appear legitimate but are not.

Please remember this simple rule: You will never receive a request from Christ Church

clergy or staff asking you to purchase gift cards, send money, transfer funds, or provide financial information.

If you receive such a message, do not respond, click links, make purchases, or send money. Instead, contact the church office or call the individual directly using a phone number you know to be valid.

Thank you for helping protect our parish family. Please remain vigilant, share this information with others, and join us in praying for those who perpetrate these scams, that their hearts may be transformed by God's grace.

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

Vestry

Gretna Zerebny, Sr. Warden	Janet Burnside, Treasurer	Kathy Blackman, Jr. Warden
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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, Vice 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

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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
The Rev. Deacon Jo Hoskins, Deacon Emeritus

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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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Sunday. Every Day.