# HOLY BUCHARIST

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS HOLY EUCHARIST RENEWED ANCIENT TEXT FROM THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER 2019

10:30 AM, SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

# WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

#### CREATION

All of creation was made good, with humanity as its very good crown - created in the image of God, the delight of His heart.

#### FALL

Humanity rebelled, seeking to be god rather than to submit to God, and began to live life selfishly rather than according to His goodness. In this rebellion, we have bound ourselves under sin, evil, and death. This results in alienation from God, from one another, from creation, and even from ourselves, and brings us under God's righteous judgment.

#### REDEMPTION

God, in His mercy and great love for us and for all of creation, entered into the world to save people and to renew his creation: Jesus Christ, God in flesh, came to free us from sin, evil, and death. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins, conquered evil and death, and was exalted as King over all.

#### INVITATION

We are invited to be reconciled to God and participate in the renewal of all creation. This requires repentance from our old way of life, having faith in Christ's act of love and mercy, and having a new life of grace and love with the Holy Spirit. This can begin now. Join with us in worship, as we come to God in our need, confess our sins, receive His forgiveness, hear His word, and are nourished by His self-giving love in the bread and wine. Please speak to one of our pastors if you'd like to learn more about forming a relationship with this God who loves you already.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

<u>Christ Church Anglican</u> was founded in 1733 and maintains its historical heritage as the first church in Georgia and as a member of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese in the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA).

<u>Parking</u> can be found in our lot on 37<sup>th</sup> Street and is also available at the Library next door on Bull St. or at the Georgia Infirmary on 36<sup>th</sup> St. or The Whitefield Center at Drayton and 37<sup>th</sup> St.

<u>Nursery Care</u> is provided on Sundays beginning at 9 a.m. for children 4 and under, downstairs in the Wesley Wing.

<u>Children</u> of all ages are welcome to stay in the service. Children's activity bags and books for use during the service are available at the 37<sup>th</sup> street entrance. Please leave the activity bags and books in the pew or return to the Narthex. Little Church for children ages 5-10 takes place during the sermon.

Office Hours 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

#### <u>Weekly</u>

<u>Newsletter</u> Scan the QR code to access and sign up for our weekly newsletter. Parish news and events are featured in our Thursday release.





Visitors, we are happy you are worshiping with us today! Please consider completing this online connection card located on our website. We look forward to seeing you in the future.

#### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please kneel or sit in silence as you prepare your heart to worship the Living God.

Prelude

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory Be To God On High"

THE ACCLAMATION

CelebrantFor unto us a child is born.PeopleTo us a son is given.

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.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40* 

Kyrie

CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.PeopleChrist, have mercy upon us.CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.

J.S. Bach Germany: 1685-1750

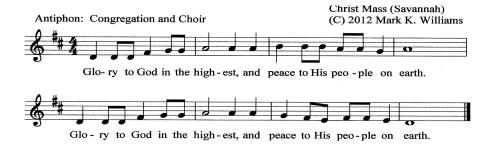
Hymnal #365 Allein Gott in der Höh

Isaiah 9:6

All say together

In Dulci Jublio

#### A SONG OF PRAISE



*(Choir)* <sup>1.</sup> Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, We worship You, we give You thanks, We praise You for Your glory. *(All - Antiphon )* 

*(Choir)*<sup>2.</sup> Lord Jesus Christ, 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.

(*Choir*)<sup>3.</sup> For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. (*All -Antiphon*)

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spiritCelebrantLet us pray.

The Celebrant continues

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

The First Lesson		Jeremiah 31:7-14	Pew Bible, p. 783
Reader	The Word of the Lord.		
People	Thanks be to God.		

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



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- 1 How lovely are your <sup>1</sup> dwellings, | O LORD God of <sup>1</sup> hosts! **■**
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the LORD; | my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. II
- <sup>3</sup> Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, ' and the swallow a nest where she may lay her <sup>1</sup> young, | even your altars, O LORD of hosts, ' my King and my <sup>1</sup> God. **I**
- 4 Blessed are they who dwell in your <sup>1</sup> house; | they will be always praising <sup>1</sup> you. II
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed is the one whose strength is in 'you, | in whose heart are your 'ways, **∥**
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a 'well; | indeed, the early rains fill the pools with 'water. ||
- 7 They will go from strength to 'strength, | and the God of gods shall be seen by them in 'Zion. II
- 8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my <sup>1</sup> prayer; | hearken, O God of <sup>1</sup> Jacob. **∥**
- Behold, O God, our de <sup>1</sup> fender, | and look upon the face of you're a <sup>1</sup> nointed. II
- <sup>10</sup> For one day in your <sup>1</sup> courts | is better than a <sup>1</sup> thousand; **I**
- <sup>11</sup> I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my <sup>1</sup>God | than dwell in the tents of un <sup>1</sup>godliness. ∥
- 12 For the LORD God is a light and de <sup>1</sup> fense; | the LORD will give grace and honor, ' and no good thing shall he withhold from those who live a godly <sup>1</sup> life. II

(Repeat second half of chant)

<sup>13</sup> O LORD God of <sup>1</sup> hosts, | blessed is the one who puts his trust in <sup>1</sup> you. THE SECOND LESSON

#### Ephesians 1:3-14

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

> Young children are invited to "Little Church" at this time. Children will follow the crucifer (cross) out of the Nave and downstairs to the Wesley Wing. Parents of very young children are asked to accompany their child.

GOSPEL HYMN "How Bright Appears the Morning Star"

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

#### After the reading,

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

The congregation is invited to pray and reflect in silence for a time following the sermon

#### THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

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who 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.

*Hymnal* #68 *Wie schon leuchtet* 

Pew Bible, p. 1019

The Rev. Greg Malley, Deacon

Standing

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The reader pauses after each bidding, and the people may add petitions, either silently or aloud.

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer." For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For Steve, our Archbishop, and Alex, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our

Diocese and Congregation.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially Cathy Clevenger, SAMS missionary to Uganda and the Promise 686 ministry.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you, those serving in the justice system including lawyers, judges, and civil servants.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially those in the country of Afghanistan.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

ReaderLord, in your mercy:PeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

*Reader* Your additional prayers are invited at this time.

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. All say together

# 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, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.	Matthew 11:28
God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.	John 3:16
The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.	1 Timothy 1:15
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.	1 John 2:1-2
THE PEACE	Standing

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

#### PARISH LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. James Heidt Sr., Mr. & Mrs. James Heidt Jr., and Mr. & Mrs. John Eugene Marshall Sr. by Murray & Helen Marshall.

#### THE OFFERTORY

The people give their tithes and offerings as the bread and wine are prepared. Online donations may be made at ccasav.org or through Venmo@CCASAV.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM	
"What Cheer? Good Cheer?"	Parish Choir

Peter Warlock England: 1927

(Anonymous Medieval Poem)

- Lift up your hearts and be ye glad, In Christ His birth, the angel bade.
  Say each to other, if any be sad: What cheer? Good cheer! Good cheer! Good cheer! Be merry and glad this good New Year!
- <sup>2</sup> The King of heaven His birth hath take; Now joy and mirth we ought to make.
  Say each to other for His dear sake, What cheer? Good cheer! Good cheer! Good cheer! Be merry and glad this good New Year!
- <sup>3</sup> I tell you all with heart so free, Right welcome ye be all to me; Be glad and merry for charity. What cheer? Good cheer! Good cheer! Good cheer! Be merry and glad this good New Year!

# Celebrant

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

PeopleAnd of your own have we given you.1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

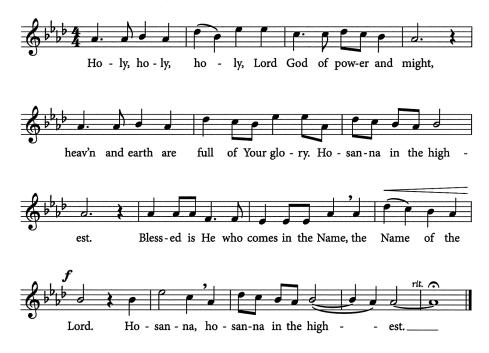
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (SURSUM CORDA) Standing

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with your spirit.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (THE SANCTUS)



Christ Mass, Mark K. Williams U.S.: 2012

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,\* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."



Christ Mass, Mark K. Williams U.S.: 2012

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

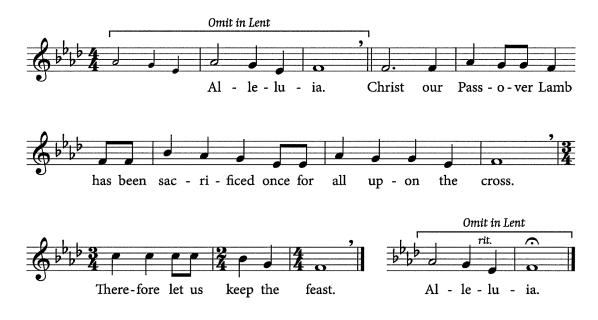
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

All say together

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.

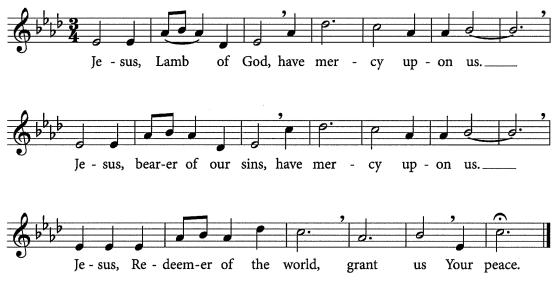
THE FRACTION



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We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



Christ Mass, Mark K. Williams U.S.: 2012

#### THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

John 1:29, Revelation 19:9

We invite you to come forward to kneel or stand at the railing to receive Communion or a blessing in the following ways:

- All baptized Christians may receive both the bread and the wine by either eating the bread and drinking from the cup or by leaving the bread in your palm for the minister to take and intinct (dip) in the wine and place back in your palm for consumption.
- To receive only the bread, after you eat the bread cross your arms over your chest as the wine is offered.
- To receive a blessing without the bread and wine, come forward and cross your arms over your chest, and the minister will offer a prayer of blessing.
- If you are unable to come forward for Communion, inform an usher and the ministers will come to you.
- Gluten free wafers are available by request.

## Intercessors are available for prayer in the corners of the Nave.

Communion Anthem		Michael Bedford
"The Lord is My Light"	Choristers. Erin Macdonald, Flute.	U.S.:1995

Psalm 27

Refrain: The Lord is my light, the Lord is my light, The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear, Of whom shall I be afraid?

- <sup>1</sup> For in times of trouble You hide me in Your dwelling; You shelter me and comfort me, and set me high on a rock. (*Refrain*)
- <sup>2</sup> Hear, O Lord, when I cry to You, give ear to me and answer; O hide not Your face from me, Your face O Lord do I seek. *(Refrain)*

# MUSIC AT COMMUNION

The congregation is invited to join in singing praise to God. "I Exalt Thee" "The First Noel" "Bring We the Frankincense"

Page 16 *Hymnal* #82 *Hymnal* #85



POST COMMUNION PRAYER Remain Standing

The Celebrant may commission Eucharistic Visitors at this time.

All say together

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Hymnal #88

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PROCESSION OUT "As With Gladness Men of Old"

THE DISMISSAL

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

# Postlude



& FELLOWSHIP

SERVED IN HEBRON HALL IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SERVICE

Celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany on Tomorrow Holy Eucharist, Monday, January 6, 6 PM



MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, January 4, 9 AM Hebron Hall

Speaker: Dave Cox , Missionary with ReachGlobal.

Men's Breakfast

Open to Men of all ages. No Cost. Need to register



# PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Event on the 2nd Friday of the month. Register by January 13..



# NEWCOMERS' LUNCH Sunday, January 12, 12:15, The Whitefield Center

Are you a new member or newly visiting CCA? We would love to invite you to lunch at The Whitefield Center after the 10:30am service.

This laid back event will give everyone an opportunity to connect a bit deeper, meet a variety of clergy & lay leaders, learn about CCA & eat some yummy food together...we hope you can

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ART IN THE PARLOR CLOSING RECEPTION, MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 7:30–8:30PM

Gather for great art, yummy cheese &

run of a lovely groups show!

fabulous fellowship as we celebrate the



# Contending for the Faith: The Story of Christ Church Anglican's Stand for the Gospel January 17, 6 - 8PM

Join Deacon Steve Dantin and Vestry member Michael Mole as they share this story over a meal. Childcare is provided.





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#### Schedule

Morning Prayer 8 AM: Monday - Saturday Evensong: 6:30 PM, First Friday of Each Month Sunday Worship: Holy Eucharist 8 & 10:30 AM, Compline 8 PM



#### CLERGY

The Rev. Dr. Craig Stephans, Rector The Rev. Bryan Biba, Assistant Rector The Rev. Greg Malley, Deacon The Rev. Sally Lufburrow, Deacon The Rev. Steve Dantin, Deacon, Executive Director of The Whitefield Center The Rev. Kirk Duffy, Deacon The Rev. Kirk Duffy, Deacon The Rev. Dr. Marcus B. Robertson, Rector Emeritus The Right Rev. Alex Farmer, Bishop The Rev. Dr. Andy Anderson, Military Chaplain in Residence The Rev. Guido Gonzalez, Military Chaplain in Residence

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