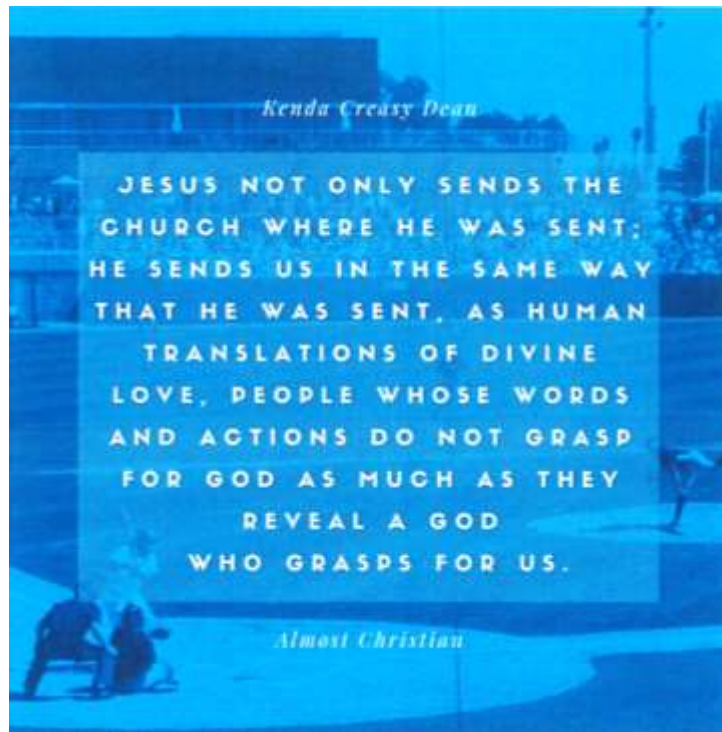


Christ ☩ Church



**The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 20 , 2020 9:00 AM**

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We welcome you today, and always, just as you are: content or wiggly, confused or confident. In this bulletin the whole congregation says the texts in bold.

When praying #togetherapart we recommend that you: sing the songs and say the responses out loud. We invite you to move your body to set your intention at different parts, and we include the directions for sitting and standing which are 'as you are able' and willing, because we welcome you just as you are. We also suggest that you make a home altar space somewhere near the screen you watch on, or near your telephone.

We are currently adopting the classic practice of Morning Prayer as the heart of our worship together. We have begun by-reservation limited person Holy Communion on Sundays at 10am and first Tuesdays at 7pm. Regardless of how we continue in our mission, the church and its ministry continue while we are #togetherapart. If you would like to know more about Christ Church and how we practice the Christian faith in this time and place, we invite you to contact us.

Military Service:

U.S. Army	Richard W., Eric C., Michael S., Chris W., Mark R., Michael B.
U.S. Navy	Marshal N., Nicole G., Joshua R.
U.S. Air Force	David B., Tony G., Mark
U.S. Marine Corps	Timothy N., Jerome S., William S., Austin
U.S.M.C. Reserve	Neil S., Rob
National Guard	Evan H., James R., Robert W.

First Responders: Jim N., Rob H., Frank D., Tom H., Joan H., David III, Michael D., Marianna, Aaron K., Josh P., Doug C., Art R., Lee E., Jesse F., Mitchell H., Wayne M.

This Week's Prayers Requested For: All those suffering from COVID 19

Continuing Prayers Requested For: Katharyn H., Cheryl C., Kaitlin H., Jacob S., Donna P., Sue S., Joyce M., Mike C., Zerfass family, Rebecca, Anna, Jack, Jane B., Nancy A., Cameron, Megan, Cheryl, Stephen, Chase, Barbara W., Doris, Lea, Irene & Dan, The Feilke family, Dave S., Jessica, Scott, Donna, Austin C., Frank B., Bob, Gene, Baby Vincent.

Names will remain on the continuing prayer list for a four-week period.

PRELUDE

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Kenneth Leighton

OPENING HYMN *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless (St. Agnes)* (vs. 1-2) **H 343**

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

OPENING SENTENCE

The Presider says

You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

Ephesians 2.19

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Presider says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People together, all kneeling

**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.**

The Presider alone stands and says

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 Invitatory and Psalter

VERSICLE

All stand

Presider Lord, open our lips.
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Presider and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.



1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my
 2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom
 * 4 Dai - ly doth the al - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on
 5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he
 2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we
 3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -
 4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -
 5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es



1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
 2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's
 3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er -
 4 light - eth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth
 5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his son. Christ doth



1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.
 2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.
 3 more from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.
 4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.
 5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

PSALM: Psalm 105:1-6

- ¹O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
²Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
³Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
⁴Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually.

⁵Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,
⁶O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

At the end of the Psalm is sung or said

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Philippians 1:21-30

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well — ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

The people sit.

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

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

[Jesus said,] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired

us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you Lord Christ**

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE: ANTHEM

Come and Taste

arr. Alice Parker

HOMILY

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

Presider and People together, all standing.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers

SALUTATION

The people stand or kneel

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider and People

**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.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray today for the name on our prayer lists: *Katharyn H., Donna P., Sue S., Michael R., Joyce M., Mike C., Rick, Lisa, Tim S., Kim J., Rebecca, Anna, Jack, Jane B., Nancy A., Cameron, Megan, Cheryl, Stephen, Chase, Barbara W., Doris, Lea, Irene & Dan, The Feilke family, Dave S., Jessica, Scott, Donna, Ricky and Paige, Austin C., Frank B., Bob, Gene, Baby Vincent. (Military): Richard W., Eric C., Michael S., Chris W., Mark R., Michael B., Marshal N., Nicole G., Joshua R. David B., Tony G., Mark, Timothy N., Jerome S., William S., Austin, Neil S., Rob., Evan H., James R., Robert W.*

(First Responders): *Jim N., Rob H., Frank D., Tom H., Joan H., David III, Michael D., Marianna, Aaron K., Josh P., Doug C., Art R., Lee E., Jesse F., Mitchell H., Wayne M.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

FIRST COLLECT

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

SECOND COLLECT

God of the present moment, God, who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to your people as we wait in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make us equal to whatever lies ahead. Bring us courage to endure what cannot be avoided, and the obedience to refrain from what must be avoided for the wellbeing of all; for your will is health and wholeness; you are God, and we need You. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. ***Amen.***

THIRD COLLECT

O God, our times are in your hand. Look with favor on your servants who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries these weeks, as they continue the journey of their lives. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

OFFERTORY REMINDER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Presider and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,**

that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,
 by giving up our selves to your service,
 and by walking before you
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

HYMN *God be with you till we meet again* (Randolph)

(vs. 1,2,4)

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Unison *Harmony*

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; by wise coun - sels
 2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; 'neath bright wings pro -
 3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's pe - rils
 4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with the sheep se - cure - ly fold you:
 tect - ing hide you, dail - y man - na still pro - vide you:
 thick con - found you, put strong arms un - fail - ing round you:
 float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - 'ning wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Presider blesses the people, saying

In the name of the true and living Holy One, who made us for love, who saved us by love, and who loves us still: may Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you and hold you, today, forever, and for always. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING SENTENCE

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15.13*

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Georg Friederich Kauffmann

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CCRP EVENTS & INFORMATION

Whoever you are, for whatever draws you to join Christ Church today, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about how to connect and grow through the ministries of the Episcopal Church in this region, and Christ Church, Ridley Park, please send us an email: office@christchurchridleypark.org.

Reserve a seat for in person Communion by visiting www.tinyurl.com/ccrpworship or calling the church during office hours.

Young Adult Meet-Up TODAY- Meeting at Ridley Creek State Park at 2:15pm to walk together (approx. 3.5 miles). Friends are welcome. Please wear a mask.

Success & Failure Discussion Series for Youth Group is beginning *today* at noon. This series will explore the definitions of success and failure as they relate to our lives as Christians through the lens of our promises made at baptism.

Fall Formation- Enter the sacred stories #togetherapart with peaceful and informed wondering for *Children and Adults* through Godly Play. The structure will be a three-week synchronous series of Godly Play with Storybook Prayers in between for the young at heart. Register for one series at a time, Series 2: October 11-25

Register at www.tinyurl.com/CCRPwonder, preferably 8 days in advance of the series.

Outdoor Worship- September 27th at 10am in the parking lot at White-Luttrell. Please reserve a spot prior by signing-up, bring your own chair, and wear a mask the whole time!

Pumpkins are coming! Come visit our Pumpkin Patch this October!

Readers Wanted for prerecorded Morning Prayer services. Readers of all ages are welcome—families we encourage you to volunteer and share the readings! Mackenzie will help record in the Deppich room after Sunday Holy Eucharist services. Please reach out to her if you are willing.

For the love and safety of our community, Christ Church ask the following of anyone entering the building. ALL church members/visitors are required to sign-in at the entrances for purposes of contact tracing. There are sign-in sheets located at the green door entrance and at the office door entrance. All members/visitors must: (1) Have permission from the staff or wardens to enter the church building; (2) Sign-in with date and time of entry; (3) Wear a mask when inside the building. These new regulations are done in the spirit of Christ's love for you, our neighbors and for the safety of all!