



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
EXTENDING THE LOVE AND EMBRACE OF CHRIST
THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
8:00 & 10:30 A.M.

Sunday, May 4, 2025 | Third Sunday of Easter

YOUTH SUNDAY AT CHRIST CHURCH



MAY 4, 2025

WELCOME HOME!

Welcome to worship at Christ Episcopal Church. If this is your first time with us, we invite you to complete a visitor's form. Our website provides up to date information about our vibrant church: www.christchurchcolumbia.org. This bulletin contains all you need to join us in worship, everyone is welcome to receive communion at God's table, and the clergy are happy to speak with you at any time.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE | Star Wars: Imperial March & Star Wars Main Theme

John Williams

OPENING SONG | We Are Marching



We are marching in the light of God. (x4)
We are marching, we are marching oh-ohhh,
We are marching in the light of God. (x2)

We are moving in the power of God. (x4)
We are moving, moving, oh-ohhh,
We are moving in the power of God. (x2)

OPENING ACCLAMATION |

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY |

Celebrant: 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.
People: **Amen.**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY |

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people may be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON | Acts 9:1-6, 7-20

Reader: A reading from Acts.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The following psalm is read responsively by half-verse.

THE PSALM |

Psalm 30 | *Exaltabo te, Domine*

I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

O Lord my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; *
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
his favor for a lifetime.

Weeping may spend the night, *
but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed. *"
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, *
and I was filled with fear.

I cried to you, O Lord; *
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *"
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; *
O Lord, be my helper."

You have turned my wailing into dancing; *
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

THE EPISTLE | Revelation 5:11-14

Reader: *A reading from Revelation.*

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as able.

SEQUENCE HYMN | Stars and Planets Sing Your Glory

words by Trevor Thorn

To the tune of Beethoven's 9th Symphony, Joyful, Joyful

1 Stars and planets sing your glory,
God of might and God of love;
time and space proclaim your story
written in the realms above.
All the beauty of the cosmos,
summoned by your great command
gathered shape; while out of nothing
matter formed, as you had planned.

3 Here on earth a mighty wonder
brought about life's earliest trace,
basis for both plants and creatures,
and in time, the human race:
Though we've grown in understanding
sin has torn this earth apart,
pitched against it we were helpless,
captive to our wayward hearts.

2 Power beyond our wildest dreaming:
forces weak and forces strong
melded in the cosmic streaming
when the universe was young.
Out of chaos, spheres and orbits
found their form through ages long:
and creation's still unfolding
in a great ongoing song.

4 So the God who shaped the cosmos
set aside all power and might;
came, a humble human baby
in the darkness, God's own light:
taught us through his life of loving
how he would redeem our race,
by the death and resurrection
of the God of time and space.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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



Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy right-eousness,

5 Make Thy way plain be - fore Thy face.

Optional Ending

9 For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord on - ly, that

13 mak - est me dwell in safe - ty.

The people may be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON | Amisha Chrzanowski, Ainsley Couch, Deepti Jackson, Caleb McKenna, Hope Oladipupo
Class of 2025

A long time ago in a galaxy far,
far away....

The people stand as able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE |

We give you thanks for Your Force that created the galaxies and all living things in it. We pray that Your Force will be seen and recognized throughout the world: In Your creation, through acts of miracles, and through our good deeds. **Lord, Creator, we thank You for the creation and preservation of this world.**

We pray for all bishops, especially our Presiding Bishop Sean and Diocesan Bishop Carrie; all canons, especially Canon Kate Riley who is visiting us today; priests, especially Father Manny; and deacons, especially Deacon Rebecca Warlow, who was ordained yesterday. May they be faithful ministers of your Word and sacraments. We celebrate occasions of joy with our Parish family. We give thanks for birthdays of Ayub, Nathan, Cathy & Loraine, wedding anniversary of Denise & Dian Norford, and baptismal anniversaries of Tanner, Isaac & Roger in our congregation. **May they glorify Your Holy Name.**

We pray for all educators—in our public schools, at our Sunday school and in faith formation. We ask for your blessing and favor upon those who are preparing for National Board Certification, especially Kathy Chrzanowski, Larissa Sanders, and Josiah Lookingbill. We give you thanks for your favor upon Leah Crest who has acquired National Board Certification. **Lord, we thank you for all our teachers and for the wisdom of our elders and ancestors.**

We pray for all who suffer especially Traci, Patrica, Sherry, Clara, Mark, Emmy & Danielle and those in war-torn countries. We ask that Your Force of Love will put an end to all strife and that peace will be established. **Lord, we pray for just peace.**

We pray for those who have gone onto glory especially Danny & Donovan, Pope Francis & Debbie Jones. May you give us grace to walk with the mourners, have compassion on them, and grant that we also may join the saints in the heavens when our time comes. **May their memory be for a blessing and may Your Light shine upon them.**

THE PEACE |

Celebrant: May the Force be with you.

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

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord and then be seated.



THE HOLY COMMUNION



OFFERTORY SONG | God of Wonders

Chris Tomlin

Please scan to give.



LORD OF ALL CREATION
LORD OF WATER, EARTH AND SKY
THE HEAVENS ARE YOUR TABERNACLE
GLORY TO THE LORD ON HIGH

AND GOD OF WONDERS BEYOND OUR GALAXY
YOU ARE HOLY, HOLY
THE UNIVERSE DECLARES YOUR MAJESTY
YOU ARE HOLY, HOLY
LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

SO EARLY IN THE MORNING
I WILL CELEBRATE THE LIGHT
AS I STUMBLE IN THE DARKNESS
I WILL CALL YOUR NAME BY NIGHT

GOD OF WONDERS BEYOND OUR GALAXY
YOU ARE HOLY, HOLY
THE UNIVERSE DECLARES YOUR MAJESTY
YOU ARE HOLY, HOLY

LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
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HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
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HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

THE GOD OF WONDERS BEYOND OUR GALAXY (YOU)
YOU ARE HOLY, HOLY
PRECIOUS LORD, REVEAL YOUR HEART TO ME
FATHER, HOLY, HOLY (LORD GOD ALMIGHTY)

THE UNIVERSE DECLARES YOUR MAJESTY (YOU ARE
HOLY)
YOU ARE HOLY (YES YOU ARE), HOLY (HOLY YOU ARE)
HOLY (JESUS SAVES), HOLY

HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH
HALLELUJAH! TO THE LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, Alleluia!
 Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
 O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C |

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All: ***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.***

Celebrant:

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People:

Amen.

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM S 158 | O Lamb of God,

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]



COMMUNION HYMN | Hosanna

Chorus:
Hosanna, Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
(x2)

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| <p>1. I see the King of Glory
Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes, the whole earth shakes,
I see His love and mercy
Washing over all our sin
The people sing, the people sing Chorus</p> | <p>2. I see a generation
Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith, with selfless faith
I see a near revival
Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees, we're on our knees Chorus</p> |
| <p><i>[Interlude: Star Wars Main Theme]</i></p> | <p>3. Heal my heart and make it clean
Open up my eyes to the things unseen
Show me how to love like You have loved me
Break my heart for what breaks Yours
Everything I am for Your kingdom's cause
As I walk from earth into eternity Chorus</p> |

POST COMMUNION 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.

EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS' PRAYER | 8 & 10:30 a.m. service

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these 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.

THE BLESSING |

The Celebrant offers a blessing, and the People respond Amen.

1. I believe in the Son
I believe in the risen One
I believe, I overcome
By the power of His blood
Amen, Amen
I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives
Amen, Amen
Let my song join the One that never ends
Because He lives
2. I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away
Amen, Amen
I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives
Amen, Amen
Let my song join the One that never ends
3. Because He lives (He lives)
I can face tomorrow
Because He lives (He lives)
Every fear is gone
I know (I know)
He holds (He holds)
My life (my life)
My future in His hands
4. Amen, Amen
I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives
Amen, Amen
Let my song join the one that never ends
Amen, Amen
I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives
Amen, Amen
Let my song join the one that never ends

Because He lives
Because He lives!

THE DISMISSAL |

The Celebrant dismisses the people who respond:
Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE |

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

8:00 a.m. Service

Sermon: Amisha Chrzanowski, Deepti Jackson, Caleb McKenna, Hope Oladipupo.

Lectors/Readers: Marileigh Chappel (OT), Eva Oladipupo (Psalms),
Luke Aribiah (Epistle), Praise Oladipupo (PoP)

Ushers: Shreya Chrzanowski, Sebastian Johns, Julianna Elser

Chalicerist: Sonni Aribiah

9:00 a.m. Service

Lector/Reader:

Ushers: Andrea Leeman

10:30 a.m. Service

Sermon: Ainsley Couch, Amisha Chrzanowski, Deepti Jackson,
Caleb McKenna, Hope Oladipupo

Lectors/Readers: Marileigh Chappel (OT), Alexis Shields/Chloe Spencer (Psalms),
Anya Sheriff (Epistle), Eva Oladipupo (PoP)

Ushers: Shreya Chrzanowski, Anya Shepherd

Acolytes and Crucifer: Caleb McKenna (crucifier), Ava Fox, Aston Fox

Musicians: Danny Jackson, Sam Jackson, Kiona Lookingbill

Chalicerist: Kathy Lyon & Mary Vail

Altar Guild

Jan DeBoissiere, Virginia Jarrett, Cara Ocampo



HIS FAVOR IS
FOR A LIFETIME.

PSALM 30:5

PARISH CALENDAR

MAY 4 – 10, 2025

Sunday, May 4

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist – Old Brick
8:45 am	Coffee Hour – Old Brick
9:00 am	Family Service – New Brick, upper level
9:30 am	Sunday School – New Brick & Parish Hall, lower levels
9:30 am	Sunday Circle – Old Brick & Zoom
10:30 am	Holy Eucharist w/music – New Brick, upper level
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Virtual Coffee Hour – Zoom
12:30 – 5:30 pm	Tabernacle of David Church – Old Brick
1:30 – 4:30 pm	EFM – Parish Hall, conference room & Zoom

Monday, May 5

7:00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream
7:00 pm	Centering Prayer – Old Brick & Zoom
6:00 – 8:30 pm	Food Addicts Anonymous – New Brick, lower level
7:30 – 10:00 pm	WOCC Meeting – Zoom

Tuesday, May 6

7:00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream
11:00 am – 5:30 pm	Lumen Christi practice – New Brick, upper level
6:00 – 8:00 pm	First Wednesday Fellowship – New Brick, lower level
7:00 – 9:00 pm	MS Support Group – New Brick, lower level

Wednesday, May 7

7:00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream
11:00 – 5:00 am	Lumen Christi practice – New Brick, upper level
6:00 – 8:00 pm	First Wednesday Fellowship – New Brick, lower level
6:30 – 8:30 pm	Adult Children of Alcoholics – Parish Hall, lower level

Thursday, May 8

8:00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal – New Brick, upper level
7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal – New Brick, upper level
7:30 – 9:00 pm	Boy Scouts – New Brick, lower level

Friday, May 9

7:00 am	Morning Prayer Livestream
11:00 am – 5:30 pm	Lumen Christi practice – New Brick, upper level
3:00 – 10:00 pm	Movie Screening: “Faith Like Potatoes” – Parish Hall, lower level
7:00 pm	Evening Prayer Livestream
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Youth Group Mother’s Day Flower Arrangement – New Brick, lower level
7:30 – 9:00 pm	CEC Book Club – Zoom
8:00 pm – 12:00 am	Tabernacle of David Church – Old Brick

Saturday, May 10

8:30 – 12:30 pm	Center for Spiritual Nourishment – New Brick
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Peabody’s Children Chorus – New Brick, upper & lower levels
2:00 pm	AA Meeting – Parish Hall, lower level
3:30 – 4:30 pm	Altar Guild prep – Old Brick
5:00 – 10:00 pm	Nina Lee Recital – New Brick, upper level

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement to share with the church,
Please send to communications@christchurchcolumbia.org by Tuesday evening.
SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ALL OF THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sunday Circle: Easter Season and the Resurrection

Join our new deacon, Rebecca Warlow, as we explore the significance of the Resurrection and the first years of the Church's life after the Resurrection, as recounted in the last chapter of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Gather with us in Old Brick, or remotely on Zoom, at 9:30 a.m.

May 4: From Jesus' Resurrection to Pentecost

May 11: How the Church developed in the years immediately after the Resurrection

May 18: Examining the life of Peter after the Resurrection

June 1: The Holy Spirit and the Church

Beautification Day – This Afternoon

Please stay following the 10:30 service this Sunday, as we'll freshen things up around the campus. Many hands make lighter work (it's really true!), and so rain or shine, we'll begin by fueling up with a quick lunch in the lower level of New Brick and then split into groups to handle different projects.

We plan to beautify the campus until around 5 p.m., but even if you only have an hour or two to spare, we can certainly use that help as well. All ages are encouraged to join us - no experience required! Just bring work gloves and a water bottle, and we'll provide the rest of what's needed to make our beloved parish buildings and grounds look their best!



Can't help this weekend? Please let us know if you're willing to lend a hand at other times. Email us at buildingsandgrounds@christchurchcolumbia.org, and we'll find a place for you.

We Need Volunteers All Around Christ Church!

There are many roles in the church that most people don't think of regularly – or at all. However, the truth is that it requires a great deal of work by many people to keep Christ Church the well-run parish that it is. Three ways to help your church are by volunteering to be a Teller, Acolyte, Lay Eucharistic Visitor, or assisting the Christ Church Altar Guild or Buildings and Grounds ministries.

None of these require weekly assistance - both only require a short amount of time every few weeks or so, but the impact you have on the entire parish is significant. For those specifically interested in the Altar Guild, please email altarguild@christchurchcolumbia.org or speak with Pam Foreman or any other Altar Guild member setting up the altar on Sunday mornings. For those interested in assisting as a Teller, LEV, or Acolyte, please call the Church Office at office@christchurchcolumbia.org or speak with Yetti (Teller), Kathy Lyon (LEV), or Chaplain Kiona (Acolyte) on Sundays.

Join the New Christ Church Inreach Ministry

Are you alone, or have family that lives far away and can't call often? Christ Episcopal Church is creating an Inreach program to help keep people in touch with one another and provide wellness checks. Parishioners will call and reach out to see that you're ok; we can call or text you - whichever is your preference. If you wish to be included in this program, please let us know.

And since this is a new ministry, we need volunteers! It doesn't take much time out of your schedule to make a difference in another person's life, so if you're interested in joining this ministry, please speak with Michon Semon at church. You can also complete the brief Inreach form at cecevents.org/Inreach or email us at inreach@christchurchcolumbia.org, and we will get you started or answer any questions you might have.

WOCC Meeting and Upcoming events – Monday, May 5

There are several upcoming WOCC events, so join us for all of them! First, we will hold our monthly WOCC meeting this Monday, May 5th, at 7:30 p.m., and it will be conducted exclusively on Zoom. **The link is at cecevents.org/WOCC-May2025**, Meeting ID is **843 0204 4790**, and the Passcode is **cecWOCC**.

Then, on Sunday, May 11th, we invite all of you to wear hats in honor of Mother's Day and gather after each service for our traditional group photo like the one shown here.

Lastly, on Saturday, June 21st, at noon, we will host a Summer Tea at **The Kate Pearl Tea Room** in Sykesville, MD. The cost for this special event is \$45. per person, with more information to follow soon.

It's a First Wednesday Fellowship Fiesta! – Wednesday, May 7

We have 2 FWFs coming up before the summer break, so come and join us for fantastic food, friends, and fun at both of them! The first gathering on Wednesday, May 7th, is a Fiesta Night – we'll bring the fixins (tortillas, cheese, salsa, etc.), and you bring the filling (chicken, beef, or vegetarian), a side dish, or a dessert to share. Gather with us in the Great Hall of New Brick at 6 p.m. and bring an appetite with you!

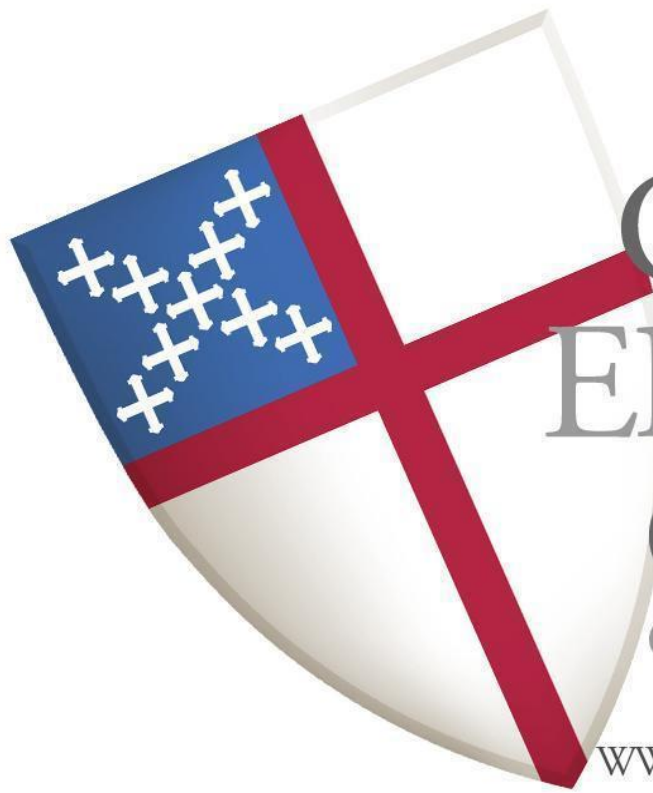
VBS&CC Registration is Open Now

Christ Church's Vacation Bible School and Choir Camp will take place in late June, gathering daily from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. At VBS&CC, children will enjoy a week of Bible stories, music, science, crafts, games, and making new friends while seeing old ones again! Snacks, lunch, and refreshments are served daily, and the program is staffed by our wonderful Christ Church parishioners, many of whom have been involved with VBS&CC for years.

The registration form for VBS&CC can be completed [here](#). If you have multiple children to register, please complete a separate form for each child. The tuition is \$30 per child or \$75 per family, and **you can process your tuition payment [here](#).**

Volunteers are also very much needed, so join us and have fun! **Please email us** if you'd like to assist with the program or have any questions. And you can always visit our website to register later, as well - **www.christchurchcolumbia.org/vbs** - but don't delay for too long.... spaces do fill up fast!





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