The Second Sunday of Easter
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April 28, 2019

Christ Church

Episcopal

The Mother Church of Georgia
Established 1733

10:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M.—Nursery (Parish House, 18 Abercorn Street)

8:00 A.M.-Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Collect, Epistle, Psalm, Gospel and Sermon BCP 355

10:30 A.M.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Entrance Rite

Voluntary *Toccata in C major (BWV 564)*	Johann Sebastian Bach
Processional*	Hymnal 182
Christ is alive!	*Truro*
Opening Acclamation and Response	BCP 355
Gloria in excelsis	Hymnal S-278

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Word of God

First Lesson	Acts 5:27-32
Gradual Psalm 118:14-29 *Confitemini Domino*	BCP 760
Epistle	Revelation 1:4-8
Sequence Hymn*	Hymnal 188
Love's redeeming work is done	*Savannah*
Holy Gospel	John 20:19-31
Sermon	The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *Deacon*
Nicene Creed	BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form III	BCP 387
Peace	

Holy Communion

Offertory *Come, ye faithful*	R. S. Thatcher
Doxology	Hymnal 380, v. 3
Great Thanksgiving, *Eucharistic Prayer A*	BCP 361
Sanctus and Benedictus	Hymnal S-125
Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S-155
Holy Communion**	Hymnal 209, 336
We walk by faith	*St. Botolph*
Come with us, O blessed Jesus	*Werde munter*
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
Processional	Hymnal 473
Lift high the cross	*Crucifer*
Postlude *Fugue in C major (BWV 564)*	J. S. Bach

6:00 P.M.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Contemplative service by candlelight with meditative music

Christ Church is the "Mother Church of Georgia" and was founded on February 12, 1733. The current church building was constructed in 1838 and is the third one on the original site. Previous rectors of our parish include John Wesley, George Whitefield, F. Bland Tucker and George M. Maxwell.

*Children ages Pre-K-6th grade are invited to attend Children's Chapel. Please process with the Cross at this time. Younger children and caregivers are also invited to participate in Children's Chapel.

**All Christians are invited and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.

First Lesson — Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Incredulity of Thomas. Duccio. 1308-11. Museo dell'Opera del Duomo, Siena.

Psalm 118:14-29 *Confitemini Domino* — BCP 760

14 The Lord is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! *
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.

20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord'S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the Lord has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! *
Lord, send us now success.

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

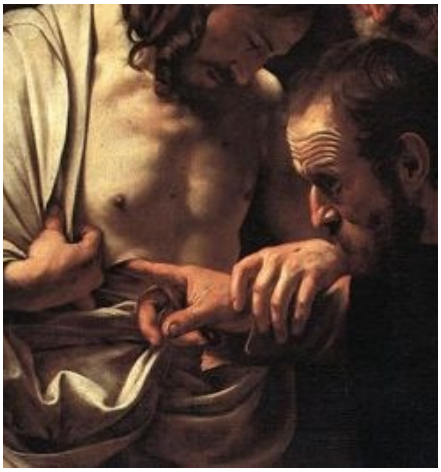
27 God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Epistle — Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are



before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Incredulity of St. Thomas (detail), Caravaggio, c. 1601-1602.

Gospel — John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although

the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Prayers of the People

For the Sick and Those in Need +Kelly, +Karen Higgason, +Shirley Ritter, +Erik, +Ron Coley, Robin Lewis, Patty Ronning, C. Daniel Motsinger, Mary Reynolds, Michele Price, Josephine Hall, Diane, Farzad Ruchi, Bonnie Jean Small, Evans Wilson, Ryan Sabatos, David Howard, Todd Smelser, Betsy Berry, Ken Sorenson, Thomas Marsh, Molly, David Templeton, Emily, Barbara Benton, Hannah O'Malley, Becky Johnson, Joellen Evans, Cindy Murphy, Blythe Bailey, Stewart Thames, Ben Burrell, David Shephard, Jerry Miller, Louis Dent, Sidney Fowler, Anne White, James White, Fenton McEvoy, Tommy Herrmann, Bill Miller, Charles Flannigan, Yvette Taylor, Meredith Vertili, Danny Hill, Lisa Butler, Ted Miller, the Rt. Rev. Henry Louttit, Jr., Aline Callahan, Tommy Seipel, Taylor Summerell, Amy L. Johnson, Laura Angell, Ruth Stone, Will Ronning, Clara, Ronnie MacPherson Severance, Justin Elkenberry, Sandy Thornton, John Garner, Cindy King, Tara Hughes, Sam Varnedoe, Anita Clay, the Rev. Robert Horn, Judy Tschetter, Warren Fowler, Virginia

For the Birthdays of Bob Clark, Bill Haile, Liv Dugas, Vivi Truex, Alice Clark, Catherine Vouk, Hudson Harrison, MJ Harris, Elizabeth Bush, Anne Adams, Pam Crenshaw, Sam Mikell, Colson Sapp, Catherine Holden, Margaret Miller, Carrie Reeves, Ruth Goldsmith, Mimi Jones, Sarah Smith, Brad Huennekens, Emma Huennekens, Elizabeth North, Catherine Renner, Linda McWhorter, Stan Houle, Rudell Lawrence, Kwasi Agyei-Gyamfi

For the Wedding Anniversaries of Paige & Michael Carson; Rhett & Rob Bentley; Gigi & Bill Haile; Cindy Ragan & Rusty Hightower; Mimi & Jack

Jones; Linda & Tom McWhorter; Betty & Jim Pember; Alston & Nick Williamson

For Those Who Have Died and for the Comfort of Their Families Vickie Hopkins Kay

Prayer Requests For prayer requests, please contact our clergy. You may also contact our prayer list coordinator, Erin Waterman, by phone 203.856.6361 or email at cceprayforme@gmail.com. + Indicates new prayer request.

Announcements

Altar Flowers and Memorials

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Richard Platt by Audrey Platt and in thanksgiving for our Christ Church family by Lila and Dale Critz.

Easter Day Thank You

Christ Church expresses its heartfelt appreciation for the many volunteers who helped make Easter Day a special day of joy and celebration. As Episcopalians, we are blessed with an abiding faith and we give thanks to God for being a part of such a rich liturgical tradition.

Lunch and Liturgy—May 5

On Sunday, May 5th children and youth of all ages gather after the service for Lunch & Liturgy— a fun event where the young people choose their ministry for Youth Sunday and attend a hands-on liturgical workshop for that ministry area (flowers, altar, ushers, etc.).

Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition—May 12

Youth Sunday is a joyful reminder that children are ministers in the Church through their baptism. The service that day is led by our young people fully participating in their chosen ministries. We will also honor our graduating seniors at all levels. Youth Sunday is meaningful for all who gather for worship— the enthusiasm is respectful of our liturgical traditions yet spiritually renewing and enlivening. For more information or to sign up to participate, please contact the Rev. Helen White (helen.white@ccesavannah.org) or

the Rev. Samantha McKean (samantha.mckean@ccesavannah.org). If you have graduating seniors from high school, college or graduate school, please let us know by contacting Catherine Gussler at admin@ccesavannah.org.

The Feast of St. Mark—April 25

April 25 marked the feast day o f St. Mark, author of the Gospel of Mark and founder of the Church of Alexandria, one of the most important episcopal sees of early Christianity. St. Mark's symbol is a winged lion which is derived from his description of St. John the Baptist, as "a voice of one crying out in the desert" (Mark 1:3). The wings come from Ezekiel's vision of four winged creatures as the evangelists. He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem (Acts 12:12) whose home became a meeting place for the apostles. He is also the cousin of St. Barnabas. Mark joined St. Paul and St. Barnabas on their first missionary journey to Antioch in 44 A.D. Mark also held a close relationship with St. Peter, who referred to Mark has “his son” in his letter addressed to a number of churches in Asia Minor (1 Peter 5:13). Mark's Gospel was probably written between 60 and 70 A.D. and was based upon the teachings of St. Peter. It is believed Mark provided both Luke and Matthew with basic sources for their Gospels. Mark lived for years in Alexandria where he died as a martyr while being dragged through the streets. He is the patron saint of Venice, Italy.

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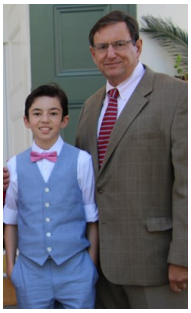

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The Right Reverend Scott Anson Benhase, D. Min., *Bishop of Georgia*
The Reverend Michael S. White, *Rector*
The Reverend Helen S. White, *Assistant for Christian Formation and Children's Ministry*
The Reverend Liam G. Collins, *Assistant for Pastoral Care and Spiritual Life*
The Reverend Patricia Rhoads Davis, *Deacon*
Timothy L. Hall, *Organist and Choirmaster*
The Reverend Samantha K. McKean, *Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Ministries*
Catherine M. Gussler, *Director of Administration*

The Reverend Canon Todd D. Smelser, *Priest Associate*
The Reverend David C. Seyle, *United Methodist Pastor-in-Residence*
The Right Reverend Henry I. Louttit, Jr., *Bishop-in-Residence*

Vestry

Denton W. Stone, *Senior Warden;* Karen H. Oelschig, *Junior Warden;*
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Gary M. Radke, Ph.D.; Jerry H. Reeves V;
William H. Wallace, M.D.; and Louise E. Wyche

Sundays

8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Nursery
The Nursery is located on the 2nd Floor of the Parish House, 18 Abercorn Street.

Wednesdays 12 Noon
Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

Christ Church's office address is 18 Abercorn Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401.
The Church building is located at 28 Bull Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401.
The telephone number is 912-236-25

Christ Church, the "Mother Church of Georgia," was founded on February 12, 1733 and is a member of the Diocese of Georgia which, in turn, is one of 110 Dioceses which composes The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and abroad. The Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces, and regional Churches in communion with the See of Canterbury. The fellowship upholds and propagates the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer.