

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Extending the Love and Embrace of Christ

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, May 8, 2022 | 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE – Pastoral Dance on Simple Gifts

arr. Andrew Clarke

OPENING HYMN 494 (V 1-3, 5) – Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

1 Crown him with ma - ny crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the Son of God, be - fore the worlds be - gan,
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave,
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove,
Hark! how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own;
and ye who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man;
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save;
crown him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love.
a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
who ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast,
his glo - ries now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
Crown him with ma - ny crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall;
and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
who died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
crown him, ye kings, with ma - ny crowns, for he is King of all.

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.**

A SONG OF PRAISE S236 – Canticle 13

John Rutter

1. Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa-thers; you are worthy of praise; glo-ry to you.

2. Glo-ry to you for the rad-i-ance of your ho-ly Name; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

3. Glo-ry to you in the splendor of your tem-ple; on the throne of your ma-jesty, glo-ry to you.

4. Glo-ry to you, seated be-tween the Cher-u-bim; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

5. Glo-ry to you, be-holding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glo-ry to you.

6. Glo-ry to you, Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

OPENING COLLECT

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The people may be seated.

A READING FROM ACTS 9:36-43

Reader: **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

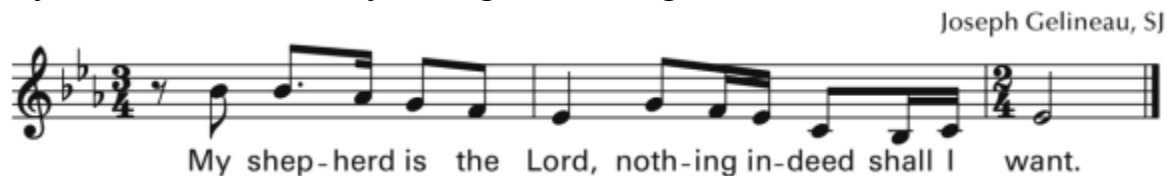
Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

Dominus regit me

Refrain: *First time cantor; following times all sing*



Cantor:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **Refrain: all sing**

He guides me along the right path; He is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff;

with these you give me comfort. **Refrain: all sing**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **Refrain: all sing**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell forever and ever. **Refrain: all sing**

Reader: **A Reading from the Revelation to John.**

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as able.

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 of 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

will - 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.

THE GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

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

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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

TOWN HALL MEETING

The people stand as able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In today's lessons, we affirm that the Lamb of God is with us always, reviving, comforting and guiding us to eternal life. We pray that we may continue to grow in faith and without fear as we follow our Shepherd along the right paths, saying: **"Lord, You are with me forever."**

On this Mother's Day, we celebrate and cherish all mothers everywhere and all the women in our lives, past and present, who, like a mother, have nurtured, healed, loved and helped us grow. With grateful hearts, we pray: **"Lord, make Your face to shine upon Your servants."**

We pray for all elected leaders worldwide, that they may govern with justice and compassion and pursue peace everywhere. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda**. In the Diocese of Maryland, we lift up our sister parishes of Ascension, Westminster; Good Shepherd, Towson and Holy Comforter, Lutherville. Lord, we ask for Your continued guidance and blessing for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Eugene and Robert, our Diocesan Bishops; Emmanuel, our Rector; Marcia, our Associate priest; Denise, our Deacon; and Richard, our Rector Emeritus. We also lift up our support staff and volunteers, whose work in Your Name is essential for our parish. We ask that You strengthen and bless our refugee family and all refugees seeking a safe haven. We pray: **"Lord, make Your face to shine upon Your servants."**

Lord, we pray that You may be a tower of strength and refuge for all who struggle every day and walk through the valley of the shadow of death because of war, famine, poverty and injustice. We lift up our brothers and sisters who suffer from illness of body, mind, or spirit, and their families and caregivers, especially Nell, Megan, Roberta, Mildred, Jim, Kathleen, Caroline, Catherine, Mary Ann, Sherry, Rena, Kandi, Bradley, Alta, Alfred, & Ashley, and those you now name. We pray: **"Lamb of God, guide them to the springs of the water of life and wipe away their tears."**

With the firm conviction that those whose loss we mourn now dwell in their heavenly Father's house, we remember those you now name. We pray: **"Lord, we believe that You give them eternal life, and they will never perish."**

We welcome and give thanks for all who are new or visiting with us today, whether in person or through media, and pray that you may find blessing and spiritual sustenance through our worship together. We rejoice and are grateful for the many joyful occasions in our church family. This week, we celebrate the birthdays of Jane, Fred, Saah & Carolann and anniversary of Bill & Sara Kirkpatrick. We raise our voices in thanksgiving, saying: **"Lord, we give thanks for Your loving kindness and for each other."**

Let us venture forth this week with steadfast faith in our Risen Lord and allow ourselves to be surprised by grace! **AMEN.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING THE OFFERING — The Lord's My Shepherd (Brother James' Air)

arr. Allan Bullard

*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, the quiet waters by.*

*My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, Ee'n for His own Name's sake.
Within the paths of righteousness, Ee'n for His own Name's sake.*

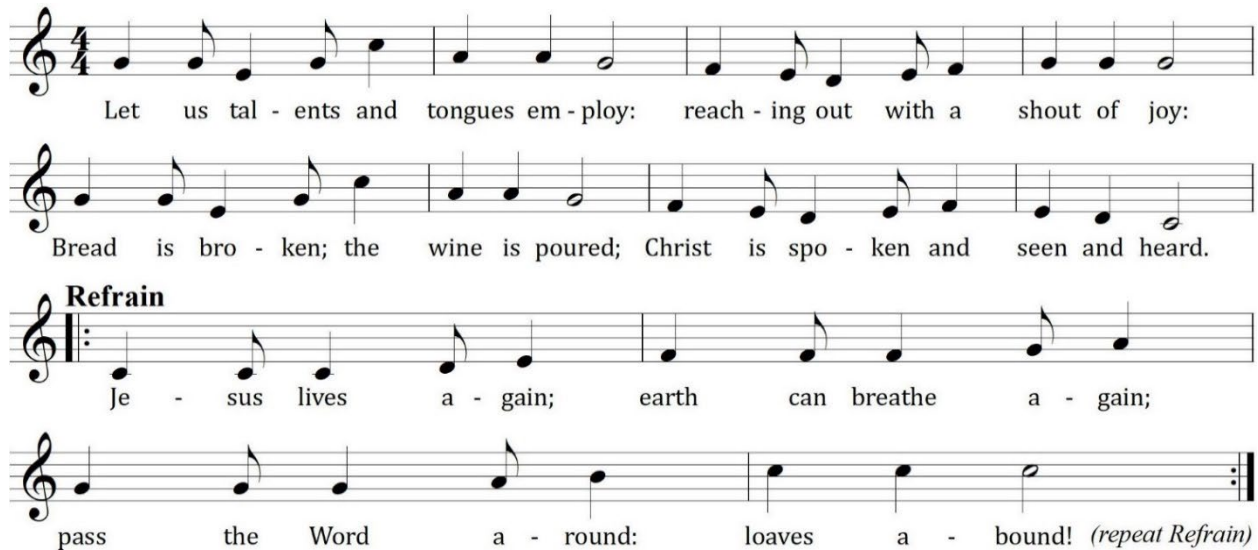
*Yea, though I pass through shadows death, Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me; and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.
Thy rod and staff they comfort still They comfort still.*

*My table Thou hast furnishd In presence of my foes;
My head with oil thou dost anoint, And my cup overflows.
My head thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my days Will surely follow me;
And in my father's heart always My dwelling place shall be.*

PRESENTATION HYMN VF 79, V. 1

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Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy: reach - ing out with a shout of joy:

Bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured; Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.

Refrain

Je - sus lives a - gain; earth can breathe a - gain;

pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound! (repeat Refrain)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

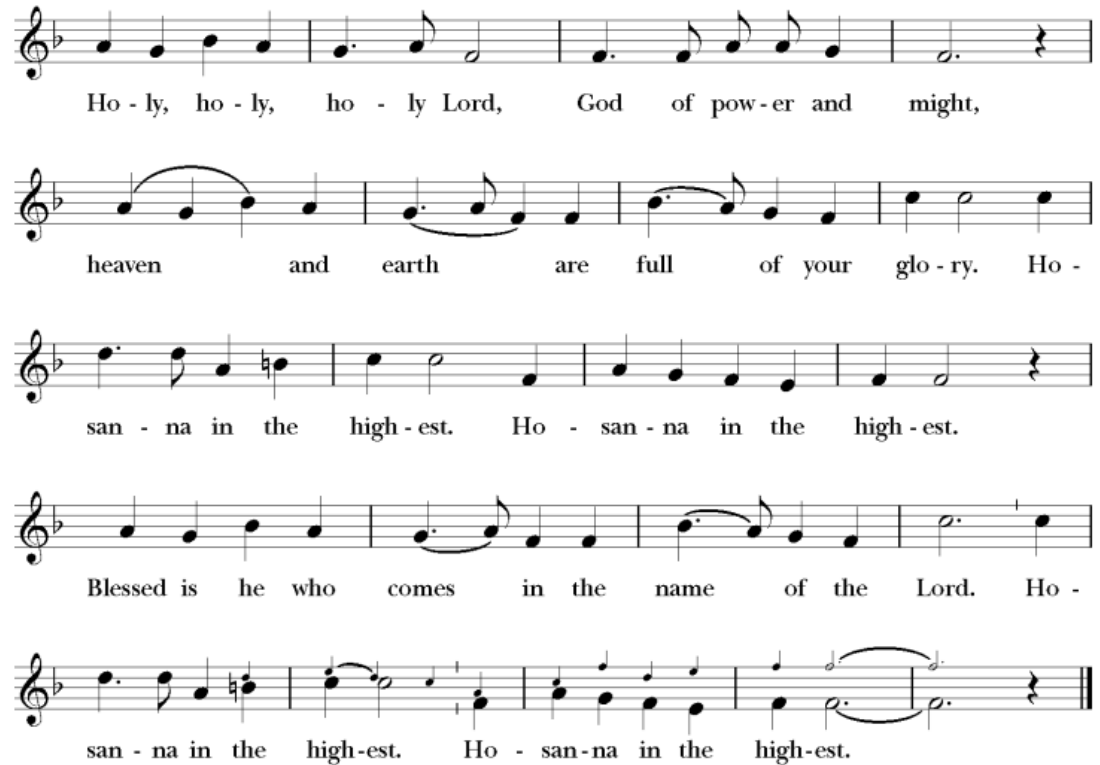
***People:* We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People:* It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All:

**We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

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 163 – Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN 692 – I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

The Third Tune

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

and in your wea - ri - ness lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun;

I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till pil - grim days are done.

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.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the People, who respond Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 708 – Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Sicilian Mariners

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE – Verset X: 'In the Glory of the Invalides'

Marvel Dupre
Ola Oladipupo, organist

*Today's altar flowers were donated by Marjorie Peart
in loving memory of her mother Ella Rose Steele.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Send announcements to communications@christchurchcolumbia.org

Easter IV: This Sunday

Join us for the Fourth Sunday of Easter at Christ Church. If you want to join us for any service in person, let us know by [completing our brief attendance registration form](#). Please know that the Diocese has recently released an [updated COVID report](#) and although we are still in the Green Phase here, the entire region continues to see an uptick in positive cases so masks are still highly recommended - but optional - for all while on campus. For those worshipping remotely, we'll always livestream the 10:30 a.m. service on all of our usual platforms, so join us a few minutes before that. See you all on Sunday!

Youth Formation: Sunday School

Every child is welcome to join us virtually for Sunday School, with both sessions beginning at 9:15 a.m. If this is your first time, the registration form is located [here](#) and you can send completed ones to ministry@christchurchcolumbia.org to enroll. You can receive the elementary-aged Zoom link by emailing Jennifer Atkins at dandjatkins@verizon.net. The older youth session is run by our Youth Minister, Todd Domer, and you can reach him by emailing youthministry@christchurchcolumbia.org for those Zoom details.

Adult Forum: Sunday Circle

Our popular Sunday morning Adult Forum series is currently exploring *Life After Death*, a new series that uses multimedia to survey this broad topic from different perspectives. Join us in person or online; [the Zoom link is here](#), Meeting ID is 830 0680 9158, and Password is AFSC.

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

The Green Omicron phase permits us to resume activities where we serve food. This includes our Coffee Hour, and so we hope you'll join us for refreshments and fellowship time between services this Sunday, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. If you'd like to help by providing light refreshments for a future Coffee Hour, [please sign up using this link](#) or scan the QR code that's on the Coffee Hour posters in the Narthex.

We're in Need of a Few Tellers

Christ Church is in need of a few more tellers to assist with the counting of offerings, donations, and pledges. This process takes place after the 10:30 a.m. service each Sunday, but each Teller is only needed about once a month or so. Please speak with Yetti Lipede on Sunday mornings, or email her at ministry@christchurchcolumbia.org if you might be interested.

Centering Prayer - Mondays

Centering Prayer takes place every Monday at 7 p.m. and is a form of contemplation, a method of prayer that helps us be present and open to God. We invite you to log in, see what Centering Prayer is all about, and how it can find a unique and valuable space in your own life. The Zoom link is [here](#), Meeting ID is 859 2522 4340 and Password is Centering! [You can also check out this past Monday's Centering Prayer here](#).

Choir Rehearsals

Both choirs are rehearsing weekly, with the Children's Choir meeting on Tuesdays from 5:00-6:00 p.m. and Adult Choir on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. If you've ever been interested in joining our choir, now's that time... and this invitation is open to every parishioner. No experience is necessary. Generally, Please email music@christchurchcolumbia.org to learn more.

Lectionary Bible Study - Wednesdays

Bible Study takes place on Zoom each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., discussing and reflecting on the readings for the coming Sunday. All readings are located [at LectionaryPage.net](http://atLectionaryPage.net). You do not have to know much about the Bible; just join in and we'll all study and learn together. The Zoom link is here, Meeting ID is 885 9287 2661 and the Password is CECBible.

CEC Book Club - Fridays

The CEC Book Club is back every Friday at 7:30 p.m. We are about to begin a new book and always enjoy having new people join our virtual gathering, so if you enjoy curling up with an insightful read and discussing it with others, log in for about an hour and learn more! The Zoom link is [here](#), the Meeting ID is 894 0227 6226, the Password is CECbooks.

WOCC May News

Hats On For Mother's Day! Mother's Day is this Sunday, May 8th, and we will be keeping to our tradition of wearing hats to the Sunday services. We will try to capture a picture of ladies in hats after each service to include on our blog page. Look for Patricia Fanning after the 8 am service and Cathy Gold after the 10:30 service, to take pictures. If you plan to attend the service online that day, you can still participate by sending Chris a picture of yourself in your hat for posting. Chris's address is communications@christchurchcolumbia.org.

Save the Date: Saturday, September 17th marks the return of the annual Flea Market! This is our primary fund raiser, and we are excited to be able to offer it again. We'll be sending out information for renting spaces and also will be looking for lots of volunteers to help run the event. Rain date will be September 24th.

The next WOCC meeting takes place via Zoom on Monday, June 6th at 1 p.m. It will be our last meeting before the summer break. If you're a woman aged 18 or older, you're already a member of the WOCC, so join us and see what's happening.

Inviting One and All to Get Involved in Christ Church Outreach by Joining in Our Next Meeting on Monday, May 9th

The Outreach Commission invites you to join in during our monthly meeting to learn more about opportunities in 2022. In keeping with our mission, the scope is local, national, and international. The meeting will be held virtually at 7:30 p.m. this coming Monday, May 9th. [The Zoom link is here](#), Meeting ID is 876 3365 4968 and the Password is Outreach! What better way to get more fully involved in helping others!

Afghan Refugee - Meet the Family

Don't forget that two opportunities to meet the family, here at Christ Church, are coming up this Sunday, May 8th, and again on Sunday, May 22nd. The family will be here in the New Brick lower level to meet us and to share in refreshments from 9 to 10:15 a.m. on both dates. Please plan to stop by – you will be glad you did.

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Volunteer or Bring Menu Items – Or Plan to Do Both – to Brighten Spring for Homeless Neighbors

The side dishes and desserts that you make or buy will be enthusiastically welcomed by folks at the Dorsey Center's Day Resource Center (DRC) and by the residents of the Live-in Facility operated by Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center. Because Christ Church volunteers serve the DRC meal in person, we can vouch for the diners' enthusiasm. And we get very positive feedback on the meal that Grassroots' staff members serve after we make that delivery.

This coming Monday, May 9th, there are two drop-off times at Christ Church: 12:45 p.m. for the midday meal and 3:15 p.m. for the evening meal.

As usual, Christ Church will purchase fried chicken at Weis and depend upon your bringing side dishes. The fact that Grassroots operates both venues has made it easier for Christ Church to consolidate our approach to feeding the hungry. It's efficient to provide a meal on the same day to two separate groups.

The first group is made up of about 40 homeless friends at the DRC in Jessup. A team of four Christ Church volunteers will be serving a midday meal in person on our usual day – the second Monday of the month. The second group of diners resides at Grassroots' Live-in Facility, which is home to about 50 people. Since early in the pandemic, we've been providing an evening meal menu on a monthly basis, most recently on April 11 (see photos).

If you're volunteering, cooking, or shopping for the midday meal at the DRC, plan to arrive between 12:45 and 1 p.m. at the parking lot outside Old Brick. Bring a side dish, a dessert, or items for the DRC pantry. Click on the Christ Church Dorsey/DRC Meal link on SignUpGenius to view requested items and say how you'll help. We usually carpool to Jessup.

If you're cooking or bringing pantry items for both meals, plan to arrive between 12:45 and 1 p.m. at the parking lot outside Old Brick. Put your items for the evening meal in the Parish Hall kitchen. Or, depending on the dish or the supplements, such as cookies or fruit, you can put them in the kitchen on a Sunday if your items are clearly marked.

If you're cooking only for the Live-In Facility's evening meal, plan to arrive between 3:15 and 3:30 p.m. for the dropoff in the parking lot outside Old Brick. Bring a side dish, a dessert, or items for the pantry. Click on the Christ Church Grassroots Meal link on SignUpGenius to view a menu. Please sign up by noon on Sunday.

In-person volunteers are asked to have a flu shot and full vaccination against COVID-19. For questions, email outreach@christchurchcolumbia.org to get in contact with co-coordinator Nancy Winchester.

Both the DRC and the Live-In Facility have wider needs for their pantries and welcome in-kind donations to be dropped off for delivery on the second Mondays. Look for the monthly needs list under the words "Related Files" on each of the sign-up sites.

Columbia Community Care Needs Diapers, Personal Care Items

At Christ Church, members of R.A.G.E and the Outreach Commission ask parishioners to continue supporting the all-volunteer organization, Columbia Community Care (CCC). Please collect diapers, baby wipes, sanitary and personal care items, and adult diapers. Put any of these in the yellow bin, marked "CCC," inside the Parish Hall. Drop off items on weekdays when the church office is open or on Sunday.

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Please look for updates, such as requests for volunteers at the three distribution sites, posted in the [CCC Facebook Group](#). There you'll also find a request for volunteers to sort grocery items at the CCC pantry building, 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway in Columbia. The dates are May 9, May 12, and May 20. The sorters choose their own hours and use the [online volunteer signup for the pantry](#) to state when they'll work on a particular day. Please consider taking a shift.

Donate Snacks, Crackers, and Cookies to FISH in Bin on our Breezeway

Organizers for [FISH of Howard County](#) are continuing to ask for cookies, crackers, and snacks to fulfill its shopping lists. The yellow bin is between Old Brick and the Parish Hall. Thanks for your contributions to our neighbors in need.

In general, if you have suggestions about ways to help the community, if you want to get involved, or if you need assistance, please email Christ Church Outreach at outreach@christchurchcolumbia.org. Your help is greatly welcomed and appreciated. Thank you.

WE ARE ALL STEWARDS OF OUR BELOVED CHRIST CHURCH

Because of your genuine and overwhelming acts of selflessness, kindness, grace, compassion, and love, you continue to give immensely to support and build our common life at Christ Church. You inject life into Christ Church so that we may be able to serve the world. It is your giving that has made it possible for us to accomplish some of the work that God has given us. The truth is that we have been able to minister and serve countless people because of your faithfulness, and for that, we thank God for each one of you and thank God for what God is doing in your lives.

We also want to thank *YOU*. Your faithfulness is what makes life happen at Christ Church. Your faithfulness makes Christ Church stronger. Your faithfulness enables Christ Church to embrace, with courage, the task that God has for us.

We need to remember that Christ Church is completely dependent on this faithfulness. Your beloved Christ Church counts on you and your faithful giving, and so as we celebrate the season of giving, we want to highly encourage all who have not fully completed their pledge for 2021 to remember their faithfulness. We also want to appeal to all who have not as yet returned their pledge for 2022 to remember their faithfulness.

TEXT GIVING: You can now give securely and conveniently by using your mobile phone! Simply text **CECGIVING** to **73256**, and you'll receive a secure link to our page where you can set up a one-time or recurring gift.

ONLINE GIVING: You can also continue to pledge and give to Christ Church online. It's a safe and secure method of contributing towards your annual pledge or another offering. Whether it's a one-time donation or a recurring gift, you can go to our [overview page](#) for instructions and links. Signing up is fast and easy; if you need assistance doing so, or if you have any Stewardship-related questions, please contact us at info@christchurchcolumbia.org



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