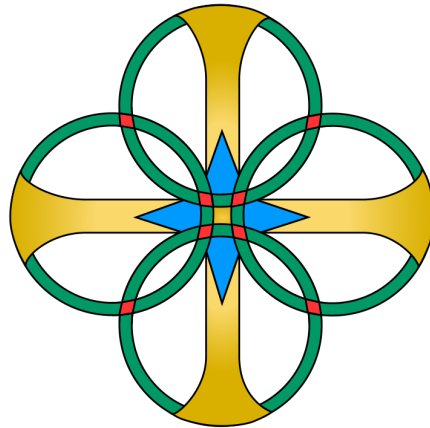


TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

August 31, 2025
8:00am and
10:30am and Livestreamed on Facebook



CHRIST CHURCH
The Episcopal Church of Norcross

We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. The worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (found in the pew racks) beginning on page 355. The scripture readings and the Prayers of the People are printed in the worship bulletin. Scripture texts are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary.

We use the red Book of Common Prayer, the blue 1982 Hymnal and Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal, all located in the pew racks.

In the time before our worship begins, please be mindful of those who need this time for quiet prayer and meditation.

Please silence all cell phones and other digital devices and we ask that you refrain from "texting" during the service.

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.*

***The mission of Christ Church Episcopal is to live, love,
and serve boldly together in the name of Jesus Christ.***

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude	<i>This my father's world</i>	arr. Cindy Berry
Processional Hymn	<i>Hymn to joy</i> Joyful, joyful, we adore thee	Hymnal #376
Opening Acclamation		BCP p. 355
Collect for Purity		BCP p. 355
Gloria		LEVAS II #241
Collect of the Day		

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading Jeremiah 2:4-13
A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

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



1 Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

10 I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, *
and Israel would not obey me.

Refrain

12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, *
to follow their own devices.

13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! *
that Israel would walk in my ways!

14 I should soon subdue their enemies *
and turn my hand against their foes.

Refrain

15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, *
and their punishment would last for ever.

16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat *
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

*All remain standing.***Holy Gospel**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Daniel J. Burrows, Deacon

*All stand***Nicene Creed**

BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People

Presider: O Lord our God, grant that we might see the majesty of your glory in our lives and hear our prayers as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: Lead your church into humility and may her leaders be first her servants, seeking only and always to glorify you in their lives. We pray especially for Sean and Rob, our bishops, and Edgar and Dan, our clergy.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Give us selfless civil leaders who are zealous for truth, justice, and mercy, and whose efforts build up the whole community and bring people together. We pray especially for Donald, our president, and Brian, our governor, Nicole, our county chair, Craig, our mayor, and for those who serve in the Armed Forces: Jeff, Daniel, and Andrew.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Embolden us to make the difficult choices to ensure the continued abundance of your Creation.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Make us good neighbors and open our eyes to see you in the eyes of those we encounter, that together we might build a community where everyone can thrive and live into their potential.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Give peace and strength to those who are sick or injured or who endure suffering in all its myriad forms. Especially we lift up Cameron, Jack, Cathy, Heather, John, Bob, Marilyn, Debanhi, Scott, Judy & Richard, Graham, Ron, and Stephanie.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Grant the dead entrance into your eternal embrace and grant us also to enter and join them there when we leave this world.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

The people may add their own thanksgivings and petitions.

Leader: We ask for your blessings for those who minister to others, especially the Neighborhood Cooperative Ministries, Rainbow Village, our Thrift Shop volunteers, our Stephen Ministers and those for whom they care, our Path to Shine volunteers, and for our Vestry.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask for your blessings for members of our parish that we pray for this day:

Samuel Perez;

Graham & Laraine Perrins;

Noel, Beau, & Noah Pineda & Jackie Schaedel;

Ben Pitman.

Lord in your mercy,

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: We ask for your blessings for the gift of the altar flowers given in thanksgiving for our many blessings.

Lord in your mercy.

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Presider: God of Glory, through your Son, you have showed us the strength of your love, grant that we might following in His path and continue his ministry until His return; through the same Son, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Absolution

BCP p. 360

All stand.

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

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

Welcome and Announcements

Mission of Mercy Recipient

The Mission of Mercy recipient for August is Church of the Common Ground (CCG).

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

E-Giving QR Code—>



THE HOLY COMMUNION

As we prepare for Holy Communion let us listen attentively with an open heart to the music of the anthem.

*We have gluten free communion wafers available for anyone who requests them.
Please ask the priest for them when you are at the altar rail.*

Offertory Anthem

God will take care of you

arr. Cindy Berry

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Presentation Hymn

Rockingham
My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal #321

The people remain standing.

Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

Celebrant and People

Sanctus (8:00am)

BCP p. 362

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

LEVAS II #255

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

BCP p. 363

Celebrant and People:

*Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.*

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal #S-164

Invitation

BCP p. 364

Communion Hymn

Here I am Lord
I, the Lord of sea and sky

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them.
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save. I who made the
They turn a - way. I will break their
My hand will save. Fin - est bread I

stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Postcommunion Prayer

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Blessing

The priest blesses the people

Postcommunion Hymn

Sicilian Mariners
Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

Hymnal #344

Dismissal

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Postlude

All hail the power of Jesus' name

arr. Cindy Berry

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Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

James 1:17 Stewardship Quote

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Prayers for Members of Our Parish

Cameron Bernard, Jack Brocksmith, Cathy Canfield, Heather Emery,
John Emery, Bob Haer, Marilyn Haritos, Debanhi Hernandez, Scott McCue,
Judy & Richard Moore, Graham Perrins, Ron Rice, and Stephanie Usher.

Prayers for Members of our Military

Jeff Jennings, Daniel O'Keefe, and Andrew Pridgen.

Prayers for Friends and Family

Margo Biringer, Brad Burns, John Buchek, Karen Cobb, Sophia Crawford, Ralph Donnangelo,
Sharyn Dowd, Doug & Kath Duke, Nick Forleades, Richard Freeman, Kimberly Hernandez,
Evelyn Hope Liebke, Val McCall, Kaye McRoberts, Lisa Matthews, John Mocharski, Riley Moore,
Joe Morelli, Julie Murray, Anita Oliver, Patty Peña, Bonnie Pitman, Ann Pruitt, Frances Rich,
Angel Ruis, Gary & Cindy Russell, Andrew Thompson, Bill Wall, and Noah Withrow.

Please call 770/447-1166 or e-mail the church office at office@ccnorcross.org to add or remove names from the prayer list.

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TIME-SENSITIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please read The Christ Church Chronicle (CCC) at www.ccnorcross.org for detailed announcements.

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL!



To make your visit smoother, please scan the QR code with your smartphone. This will take you to our electronic visitors book, where you can quickly and easily enter your details. Your information helps us keep in touch with all new family members. Welcome home!

PRIMETIMERS' LUNCH, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

PrimeTimers' is having it's monthly Potluck Picnic Luncheon on Wednesday, September 3, 2025, following the noon service. Come for a light lunch. Everyone is invited. Please RSVP to Leslie Wengenroth via email gacmcleslie@gmail.com or phone 404-324-3694, no later than 9am on Monday, September 1st, if you will attend and what, if anything, you will provide.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR 1ST THRU 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

Sunday School for all students in first through eighth grades will be held in Room 100 in the Education Wing from 11:50am until 12:45pm on September 21 and 28. Join us to learn the Gospel lesson for Sunday, do a craft, and have a snack. If you have any questions, email Janet Orr at janetreevesorr@gmail.com.

COMBINED BILINGUAL SERVICE, CHURCH PICNIC, MINISTRY AT 10:30AM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

The countdown is on! Our **Parish Picnic and Ministry Fair** is just over a week away on September 7 following a special bilingual worship service at 10:30. This year's theme is **"Get in the Game!"**—a spirited celebration of all the ways we can grow, serve, and belong. Come explore the many ministries of Christ Church and find your place on the team! Use this link to sign up and help: <https://tinyurl.com/29uf3aes>
For more information about the event, please read The Chronicle.

LADIES DINE OUT, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

Join us on Thursday, September 11th, at 6:30pm at Ted's Montana Grill in the Forum in Peachtree Corners. RSVP to Annette Stewart, msanne_atl@yahoo.com, ASAP, but no later than 12 noon Tuesday, Sept 9th so that we can reserve seating to accommodate the group.

BLOOD DRIVE, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Give the gift of life. By donating one pint of blood, you can save three lives. The LifeSouth Community Blood mobile unit will be in our parking lot on Sunday, September 14, 2025, from 8am until 3pm. Sign up through the QR code on the poster on the front porch, or in the Chronicle, or fill out the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. More information to follow.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

Save the date for the Blessing of the Animals at all three (3) services on October 5, 2025. We will bless all types of animals, both real and stuffed, but definitely **NO SNAKES**.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR HISPANIC COMMUNITY, WITH CONFIRMATION AND LUNCH ON OCTOBER 19, 2025

Bp. Rob Wright will be with us on Sunday, October 19, 2025, at the 11:00am combined bilingual service to celebrate the 25th anniversary of our Hispanic congregation and to confer confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation on some of our parishioners. Lunch follows the service in Webster Hall.

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Liturgical Participants for 8:00am and 10:30am services on Sunday, August 31, 2025

Celebrant..... The Rev. Edgar Otero
Deacon & Preacher The Rev. Daniel J. Burrows
Acolytes Afiong Ekong, Jodi Arminio, McKenzie Wortman
Altar Guild Karyn Angstadt, Joyce Proctor
AV Team..... Brook Sizemore, Dwalu Tay; TBD, TBD
Eucharistic Ministers:..... Mike Breedlove; Lori Landis, Ann Post
Greeters..... Matt Tuel; Annette Stewart
Lectors Mike Breedlove; Mike Wood
Ushers Matt Tuel; Scott Gottuso
Vestry of the Day Matt Tuel (8am); Diane Lynch (10:30am & 1pm)

Liturgical Participants for combined bilingual service at 10:30am on Sunday, September 7, 2025

Celebrant..... The Rev. Edgar Otero
Deacon The Rev. Daniel J. Burrows
Acolytes McKenzie Wortman, Abraham Pedro, Maria Pedro
Altar Guild Rita Boughrum, Ann Post
AV Team..... TBD, Dwalu Tay
Eucharistic Ministers:..... Ann Post, Aracely Hernandez
Greeters..... Elliott Brack, TBD
Lectors McKenzie Wortman, Rosa Hernandez
Ushers Karyn Angstadt, Gayle Morris
Vestry of the Day Kristie Bernard

Liturgical Participants for 8:00am and 10:30am on Sunday, September 14, 2025

Celebrant..... The Rev. Edgar Otero
Deacon The Rev. Daniel J. Burrows
Acolytes Afiong Ekong
Altar Guild Karyn Angstadt, Joyce Proctor
AV Team..... TBD, Dwalu Tay
Eucharistic Ministers:..... Mike Breedlove; Ann Post
Greeters..... Scott Bruce; Guy & Susan Gupton
Lectors Mike Breedlove; Myrna Campbell-Kelly
Ushers Scott Bruce; Gayle Morris
Vestry of the Day Scott Bruce; Diane Lynch; Matthew Tuel

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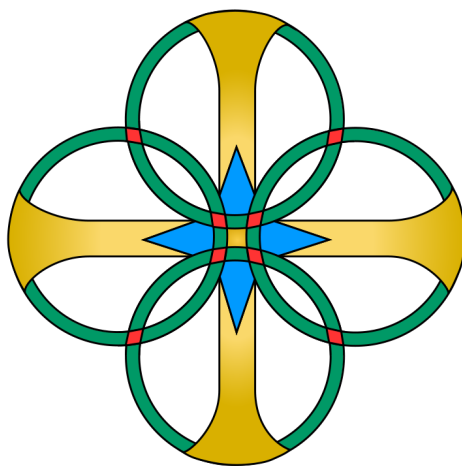
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