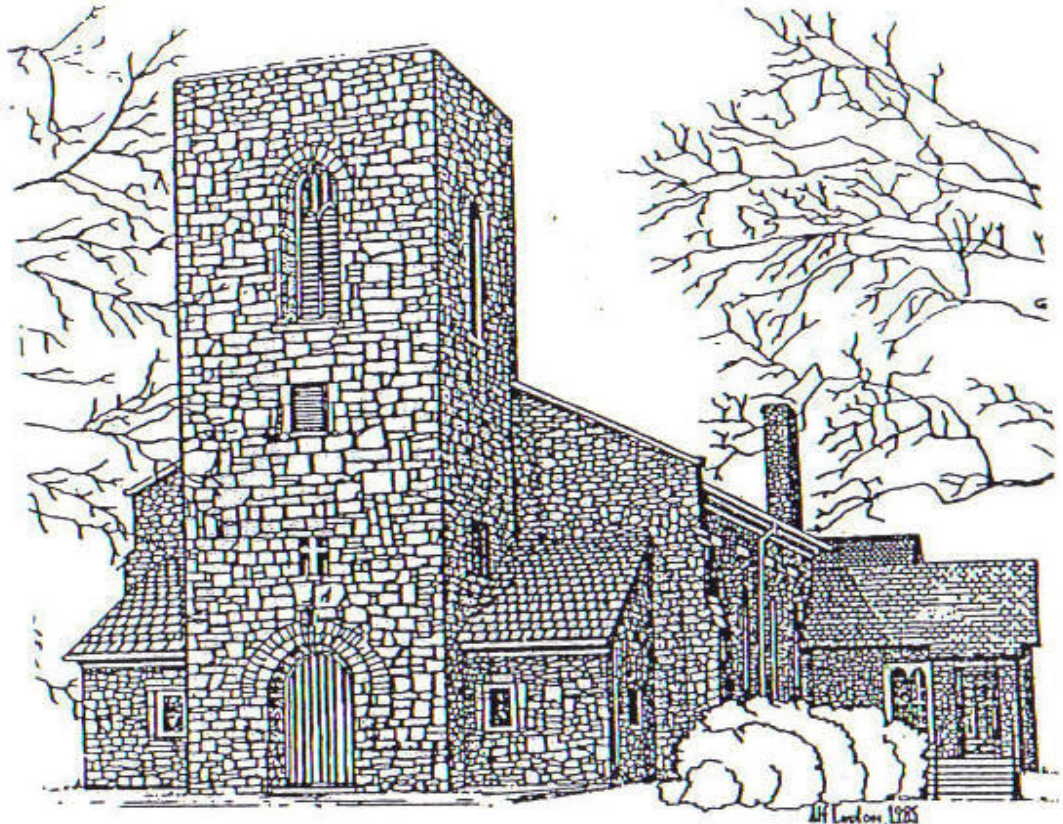


**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**Millwood, Virginia**



**Service of Morning Prayer**

**June 11, 2023**

**The Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Order of Worship for 9:30 a.m.**

*Serving the people of Clarke County and beyond since 1738*

## *Welcome, Guests!*

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No matter who you are, in this space you are loved.

Please let us know how we can support you by filling out a Welcome card and placing it in the offering plate. If you would like a conversation with or a visit from our rector, The Rev. Melanie Lewis, please call the church office at 540-837-1112.

We welcome you in Jesus' name.

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**Restrooms** are in the building immediately to the right of the church.

**Sunday School for children** starts at 9:30, upstairs in the Parish House behind the church.

**Nursery care** is available for this service, upstairs in the Parish House behind the church.

Please come to **Coffee Hour** in the Parish House after the service.

## Morning Prayer II

**Welcome**

**Prelude**

Never Was a Shade

*G. F. Handel*

**Hymn 493**

O, for a thousand tongues to sing

*C. G. Gläser*

### Opening Sentences

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Philippians 1:2*

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

*Habakkuk 2:20*

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm

122:1

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

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

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

### Hymnal S-35

#### First Canticle: Venite

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.  
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### **Psalm 33:1-12**

- 1 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; \*  
it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the LORD with the harp; \*  
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song; \*  
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the LORD is right, \*  
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice; \*  
the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
- 6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, \*  
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin \*  
and stores up the depths of the sea.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD; \*  
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he spoke, and it came to pass; \*  
he commanded, and it stood fast.
- 10 The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; \*  
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 But the LORD's will stands fast for ever, \*  
and the designs of his heart from age to age.

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! \*  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

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

## **THE LESSONS**

### **First Lesson**

Genesis 12:1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Second Canticle: A Song of Praise**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

## **Second Lesson**

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

### **Third Canticle: The Song of Mary** *Luke 1:46-55*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.  
He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

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

### **Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Melanie Lewis

*The People stand.*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

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



the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **THE PRAYERS**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Suffrages B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. We praise your name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. For we put our trust in you.  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

### **The Collect of the Day**

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for Sundays**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The people sit.*

### **INTERCESSIONS**

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Parishioners add their own intercessions.*

We pray for healing for all those in need of wholeness, especially Betsy, Michael, Ellie, Fred, Wayne & Peg, Jane, Douglas, Pat & Dan, Kenneth, Lynn, Joan & Jarrett, George, Walter, Jim, Rick, Sharon, Nora, Anita &

Keith, Judy, Dawn, John, Steve, Denise & Bob, Amy, John & Louise, Linda, Gail, Mark, Jessica, Pam, Maisie, Ellen, Sally, Alice, Ed, Logan, Darien, David, Tucker, Louise, Sam, Nan, Mark & Tyler, Ilona, David, Elise, Rose, Marcel & Ruth, Penelope, Paul, Phyllis, Bunny N. and Freddie.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

**The General Thanksgiving**  
*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

**Prayer of St. Chrysostom**  
*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make  
our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-  
beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you  
will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as  
may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in  
the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

### **Birthday and Anniversary Blessing**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Offertory Sentences**

**Offertory Anthem**      Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!      *Fanny Crosby*

### **At the Presentation: *Doxology***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### **The Blessing**

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.*      *Ephesians 3:20,21*

**Hymn 281**                      He sat to watch o'er customs paid                      *Breslau*

*Officiant*      Alleluia, alleluia! Our worship has ended. Now our service begins. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*              Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**Postlude**                      The Old Rugged Cross                      *George Bennard*

***The flowers today are given to the glory of God,  
by Terry Chandler.***

### Worship Assistants for June 11

Time	Crucifer	Chalice Minister	Lector	Psalmist/ Intercessor	Ushers	Flowers	Coffee Hour Hosts
9:30 a.m.	Nathan Conners	N/A	Darren Conners Sr. & Carol Conners	Bill Waddell	Darren Conners Sr. & Darren Conners Jr.	Terry Candler	Julie Dillingham





## The Episcopal Church Welcomes You!

### Sunday Mornings at Christ Church

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II (nursery available)

Sunday School for Children

10:45 a.m. Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m. Adult Forum in the Parish House

*We worship at Old Chapel at 6:00 a.m. on Easter Day and at 10:30 a.m. on the second Sunday in September.*

### Christ Church staff

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Jeff Harris, Senior Warden (2023)  
Cathy Frederickson, Junior Warden (2023)  
Terry Chandler, Treasurer (2024)  
Macon Uskurait, Recorder (2024)  
Natalie Greenhalgh (2024)  
Page Allen Groseclose (2026)  
Chuck Roberts (2026)  
Ian Williams (2026)

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### Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
*The church office is closed on Thursdays and Fridays.*