

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
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October 2, 2016



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9:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.—Nursery (Parish House, 18 Abercorn Street)

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

Collect, Epistle, Psalm, Gospel and Sermon BCP 323

10:30 A.M.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Entrance Rite

Voluntary <i>Adagio (BWV 564b)</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach
Processional	Hymnal 544
<i>Jesus shall reign</i>	Isaac Watts
Opening Acclamation and Response	BCP 299
Collect of the Day	

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Word of God

First Lesson	Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
Gradual Psalm 37:1-10 <i>Noli aemulari</i>	BCP 633
Epistle	2 Timothy 1:1-14
Sequence Hymn*	Hymnal 551
<i>Rise up, ye saints of God!</i>	William Pierson Merrill
Holy Gospel	Luke 17:5-10
Sermon	The Rev. Liam G. Collins

Assistant for Pastoral Care and Spiritual Life

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate	BCP 301
<i>Anna-Caroline Habersham Wright</i>	
Baptismal Covenant	BCP 304
Prayers for the Candidate	BCP 305
Baptismal Hymn <i>We know that Christ is raised</i>	Hymnal 296
Thanksgiving over the Water	BCP 306
The Baptism	
Peace	

Holy Communion

Offertory <i>Seek to serve</i>	Gregorian Kyrie, arr. Lloyd Pfautsch
Doxology	Hymnal 380, v. 3
Great Thanksgiving, <i>Eucharistic Prayer A</i>	BCP 361
Sanctus and Benedictus	Hymnal S-125
Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction <i>Christ our Passover</i>	Hymnal S-154
The Holy Communion	Hymnal 655, 671
<i>O Jesus, I have promised</i>	John Ernest Bode
<i>Amazing grace! how sweet the sound</i>	John Newton and John Rees
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
Processional	Hymnal 535
<i>Ye servants of God</i>	Charles Wesley
Postlude <i>Postlude in C major</i>	Arthur Foote

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. Our mailing address is 18 Abercorn Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401 (912-236-2500). Our website can be found at www.christchurchsavannah.org. Previous rectors of our parish include John Wesley, George Whitefield, F. Bland Tucker and George M. Maxwell.

*Children ages PreK-5th 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.

Please remember Christ Church in your Will.

Please join us in the Undercroft for a reception after the 10:30 a.m. service.

First Lesson

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?
Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?
Why do you make me see wrong-doing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous--
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
Then the Lord answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
I t will surely come, it will not delay.
Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

Psalm 37:1-10 *Noli aemulari*

BCP 633

1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.

3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

4 Take delight in the Lord, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noontide.

7 Be still before the Lord *
and wait patiently for him.

8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospereth, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

Epistle

2 Timothy 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on



of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose

and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

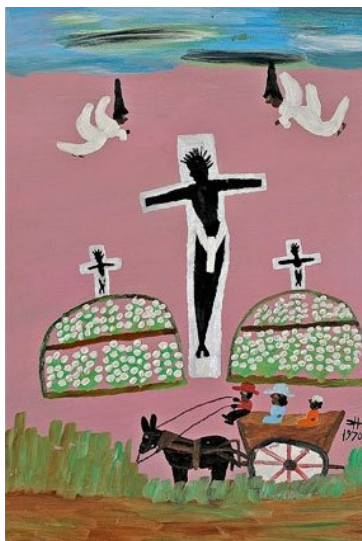
Above: A representation of Jesus as the sun-god Helios/Sol Invictus riding in his chariot. Mosaic of the 3rd century on the Vatican grottoes under St. Peter's Basilica.

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"



Cotton Crucifixion. Clementine Hunter. 1970. Collection of George W. Bailey.

Announcements

Altar Flowers and Memorials

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. David McCord Wright, Miss Caroline Meldrim and Mr. and Mrs. George Noble Jones by Anna Wright Smith, Peter Meldrim Wright and Antony Pope Wright; in loving memory of Roger K. Warlick (on the occasion of the anniversary of his birthday), by his family; and in loving memory of Burton Franklin Harrison by Charlie and Susan Wetmore.

Upcoming Dates and Events for October

- Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish House
 - Sunday School for pre-k through 5th grade "Genesis Greatest Hits"
 - Adult Forum "Leadership and Spirituality" and our speaker today

will be Dr. Will Wallace and his topic is "Health Wellness and Spirituality". Next Sunday, October 9 we will have Dr. William Willimon, Methodist Bishop and former Dean of Duke University Chapel.

- October 2 - At 10:30 a.m., Blessing of the Stuffed Animals and Baptism of Anna-Caroline Habersham Wright. Immediately thereafter, EYC lunch in the Parish House (2d floor) and, at 6 p.m., Evening Eucharist.
- October 9 - Bishop William Willimon, Methodist Bishop and former Dean of Duke Chapel, will be our guest preacher.
- October 17 - The Rev. Kelly Steele will be our guest preacher.
- November 3 - Martin Neary (Former Organist and Master of the Choirs at Westminster Abbey, London) in recital on Christ Church's mighty Harrison and Harrison Organ at 7 p.m.. Pre-Concert Conversation with Dr. Neary at 6 p.m.

Sergius of Moscow

Feast Day—September 25

The Rt. Rev. Harry W. Shipps

Born in Rostov in 1314, St. Sergius of Radonezh, declared patron saint of Russia in 1422, is much loved and revered by the Russian Orthodox Church to this day. On four occasions Sergius helped avert civil war in his country, and under his vigorous leadership the Church was stabilized during a time when it was



threatened and oppressed by pagan Tatars. Sergius and his brother were monks, and sought seclusion in a forest near Moscow, where in 1337 Sergius founded the Monastery of the Holy Trinity. Refusing advancement as Bishop of Moscow in 1378, he remained as Abbot of the monastery until his death in 1392.

Sergius was simple and gentle in nature, mystical in temperament and of deep faith, and eager that his monks should minister in unselfish service to the needs of the people. He inspired intense commitment to the faith teaching, by word and deed, absolute devotion to Christ as known

in the Holy Eucharist. His followers established more than 400 cloisters in Russia. Pilgrims still visit the shrine of Sergius at the monastery complex in Sergiyev Posad, whose splendid cathedral is crowned with large gold and blue 'onion domes,' characteristic of Russian Orthodox architecture. Early in the 15th C, the great iconographer Andrei Rublev adorned the cathedral interior with icons, most notably "The Holy Trinity." The Patriarch of Moscow now makes his home in the monastery. In 1928 the ecumenical Fellowship of St. Alban (England's proto-martyr) and St. Sergius was founded to promote closer relationships between the Anglican and Russian Orthodox Churches.

The Virgin Appearing to Sergius of Radonezh. Historical Museum, Moscow.

Baptism of Anna-Caroline Habersham Wright

Today, Anna-Caroline Habersham Wright will be baptized and marked as Christ's own forever. Anna-Caroline was born on August 10, 2016 and is the daughter of David and Casey Wright. Her godfather is Schuyler Ray Lawyer and godmother is Lauren Michelle Bell. Anna-Caroline's roots in Christ Church date back 11 generations.

Operation Paperback Update

Since January 2016, Operation Paperback has shipped a total of 57 boxes with 824 paperbacks to members of the armed services overseas. A special thank you to Priscilla Carrington and her team for organizing this wonderful effort.

Vestry Nominations

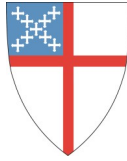
Our Vestry Nominations Committee is made up of (i) the four members who will be rotating off of the Vestry in January 2017 (Marie Dent, Ann Miller, Kurt Oelshig, and Will Wallace) and (ii) the Jr. Warden (Ryan Chandler). If you would like to recommend someone for the Vestry slate, please do so with one of these committee members. All candidates considered must be confirmed communicants in good standing, faithful in attendance for worship, active in service to the church and the world, and making a financial pledge to the work of the ministry of Christ Church. After considering the particular gifts that would be most useful in the Vestry community at this time, the Vestry will formally move a slate for election after the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, November 20.

Photos from September 18, 2016—18th Sunday after Pentecost



Photos from September 28, 2016—19th Sunday after Pentecost





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The Right Reverend Scott Anson Benhase, D. Min., *Bishop of Georgia*

The Reverend Michael S. White, *Rector*

The Reverend Sierra Wilkinson Reyes, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Helen S. White, *Assistant for Children and Family Ministries*

The Reverend Liam G. Collins, *Assistant for Pastoral Care and Spiritual Life*

The Reverend Patricia Rhoads Davis, *Deacon*

The Right Reverend Henry I. Louttit, Jr., *Bishop-in-Residence*

The Reverend George M. Maxwell (1930-2016), *Rector Emeritus*

Timothy L. Hall, *Organist and Choirmaster*

Leslie D. Parker, *Parish Administrator*

Vestry

William F. Wallace, M.D., *Senior Warden*

J. Ryan Chandler, *Junior Warden*

Mary E. Raines, *Clerk of the Vestry*

Jane F. Espy, *Treasurer*

Robert M. Davenport

M. Marie Dent, Ph.D.

Celia W. Dunn

John Thomas Gennuso

Catherine M. Gussler

Kelly O. Lancaster, Ph.D.

Ann Y. Miller

J. Kurt C. Oelschig

Denton W. Stone

Andrew M. Wright

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