The Third Sunday of Easter Year B

April 15, 2018



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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

Processional Hymnal 199

Come, ye faithful St. Kevin

Opening Acclamation and Response BCP 355

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal S-280

Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Word of God

First Lesson	Acts 3:12-19
Gradual Psalm 4 Cum invocarem	BCP 587

(to S 415, Meachen)

Epistle 1 John 3:1-7
Sequence Hymn* Hymnal 440
Blessed Jesus, at thy word Liebster Jesu
Holy Gospel Luke 24:36b-48
Sermon Samantha K. McKean

Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Nicene Creed BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form III BCP 387

The Peace

Holy Communion

Offertory Come unto Him (from Messiah) Emma Huennekens, soprano Doxology Hymnal 380, v. 3 BCP 361 Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A Sanctus and Benedictus Hymnal S-125 Lord's Prayer **BCP 364** Breaking of the Bread Fraction Anthem Hymnal S-155 Holy Communion** Hymn 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence Picardy Hymn 336 Come with us, O blessed Jesus Werde munter **BCP 365** Postcommunion Prayer Processional Hymnal 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing (omit st. 2) Gelobt sei Gott Postlude Lift High the Cross Donald Busarow

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. Please remember Christ Church in your Will.

*Children ages Pre-K-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.

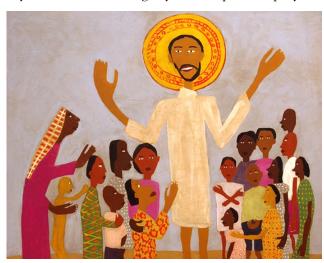
Shirley Newhart, our guest organist this morning, has served as director of music in various churches in Pennsylvania for over 50 years. She has earned degrees in Music Education from Wilkes University and Ithaca College, and did post graduate work at Westminster Choir College. Locally, she has served as Interim Director of Music at Skidaway Island United Methodist Church and has also served as substitute at St. John the Baptist Cathedral, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, and Messiah Lutheran Church. Shirley and her husband Bob moved to Savannah from Hershey, Pennsylvania three years ago.

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

First Lesson

Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him



walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But

you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

William H. Johnson, *Come Unto Me Little Children*, 1943. University of Pennsylvania.

Psalm 4 Cum Invocarem

BCP 587

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my <u>cause</u>; * you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my <u>prayer</u>.

- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; * how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the <u>faithful</u>; * when I call upon the Lord, he will <u>hear</u> me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not <u>sin;</u> * speak to your heart in silence upon your <u>bed</u>.
- 5 Offer the appointed <u>sacrifices</u> * and put your trust in the <u>Lord</u>.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better <u>times!"</u> * Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O <u>Lord</u>.
- 7 You have put gladness in my <u>heart</u>, * more than when grain and wine and oil in<u>crease</u>.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall a<u>sleep;</u> * for only you, Lord, make me dwell in <u>safety</u>.

Epistle

1 John 3:1-7

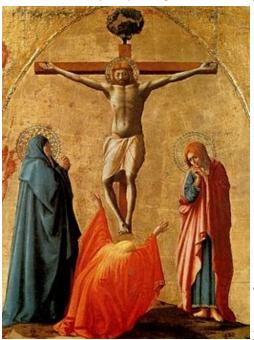
See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?



Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—

that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Crucifixion. Masaccio. 1420. Musée de Capodimonte, Naples, Italy.

Announcements

The Holy Baptism of Kellen Webster Bray

Last Sunday, Kellen Webster Bray received the sacrament of holy baptism and was marked as Christ's own forever. Kellen's parents are Lucy Webster Bray and Randale Monroe Bray and they were married at Christ Church in 2014. The godparents are Julia Webster Salatino and Jeffrey Wilson. Kellen's grandmother, Polly Webster, serves on Christ Church's altar guild and as an usher.





Altar Flowers and Memorials

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Connie and Sam Cann by Carolyn and Julian Kelly; and in loving memory of Celia and Bernard Williams, Barbara Dasher and Elizabeth Muller by Celia and Larry Dunn.

Christ Church Welcomes New Members

It is with great joy that we celebrate those among us who have formally transferred their membership to Christ Church during the months of January, February, and March of 2018. Listed below are our new members and the city of their previous church from which they are transferring their membership to Christ Church.

- -Pamela Crenshaw and Sophia Stanbridge from Bluffton, South Carolina
- -Kathy Dole and Evelyn Dole from Washington, D.C.
- -Henry and Nanette Eisenhart from Statesboro, Georgia
- -Donald and Jane Furtado from Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

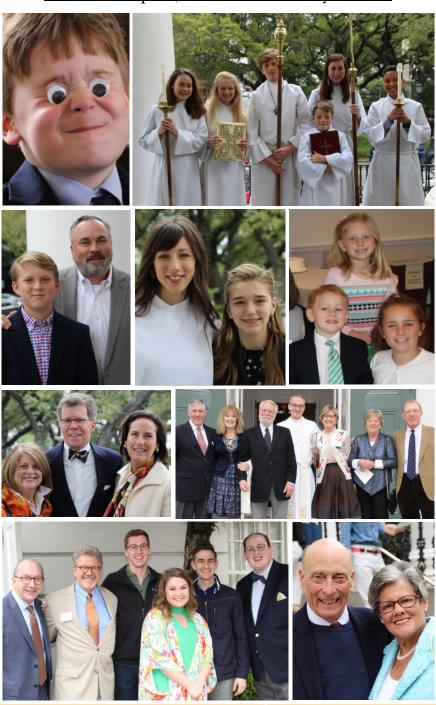
- -Elizabeth Hancock from Hilton Head Island, South Carolina
- -Robert and Hester Hodde from Hilton Head Island, South Carolina
- -Stuart Hubbard from Tampa, Florida
- -Jim, Stephanie, Jennifer and Jamie Lindley from Savannah, Georgia
- -Charles and Ruth Perry from Atlanta, Georgia
- -Catherine Renner from Woodbridge, Virginia
- -Stan Houle and Lynda Roades from Arlington, Virginia
- -Kate Grinalds, Josh Weisner, and Boone Weisner from Atlanta, Georgia
- -Stephen and Janice Smith from Indianapolis, Indiana

If you would like more information on how to officially join Christ Church, please contact the rector at michael.white@ccesavannah.org or the church office at 912-236-2500.

Christ Church's 2018 Confirmation Class

Over the past ten weeks and led by Christ Church's assistant for youth and young adult ministries Samantha McKean, ten young people from our congregation have taken part in a confirmation class called Confirm not Conform, or CnC for short. Harris Brown, Ryan and Jack Chandler, Adair Garrett, Sidney Wells and Eloise Logan, Stella Oelschig, Rachel Reineri, Michael Slatinsky, and Ella Stone all participated. During the course, the youth were invited to ask questions, challenge assumptions, and do the risky business of discovering what they truly believe. They were asked to confirm for themselves that their baptismal vows were something they were willing to take on, rather than mindlessly conforming to the faith passed down to them. During our last session together last Sunday, each youth made the decision to move forward with confirmation. Each young person had a mentor to guide them along the way. Becky Cheatham, Sarah Jones, Margaret Miller, Jim Pember, and Janet Stone--each of whom mentored two confirmands--did an amazing job sharing their wisdom, listening to questions, and demonstrating the power of Christian community through a relationship of love and concern. Another highlight of the class included a weekend trip to Honey Creek, where the class tried out new methods of prayer, ventured onto the high ropes course, and even wrote their own Creed. The confirmation service will take place on November 4, 2018, the Sunday after All Saints' Day.

Photos from April 8, 2018—Second Sunday of Easter



Photos from Easter Day-April 1, 2018



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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 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
Timothy L. Hall, Organist and Choirmaster
Samantha K. McKean, Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Leslie D. Parker, Parish Administrator

Vestry

Mary E. Raines, Senior Warden; Denton W. Stone, Junior Warden;
Sarah K. Jones, Clerk of the Vestry; Catherine M. Gussler, Treasurer;
Bertice B. Berry, Ph.D.; Spencer R. Burch; Michael M. Franck; Laura C. Lawton;
Karen H. Oelschig; Gary M. Radke, Ph.D.; William H. Wallace, M.D.; Andrew M.
Wright; and Louise E. Wyche

Sundays

8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (September—May)

Sunday School and Nursery are located on the 2nd Floor of the Parish House, 18 Abercorn Street. Nursery begins at 9:15 a.m. when Sunday School is in session and at 10:15 a.m. on other Sundays.

Wednesdays 12 Noon

Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in the Chapel

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 912-236-2500 and the office hours are

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

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