

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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September 10, 2017



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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>Elegy</i>	George T. Thalben-Ball
Processional	Hymnal 518
<i>Christ is made the sure foundation</i>	Westminster Abbey
Opening Acclamation and Response	BCP 355
Gloria in excelsis	Hymnal S-280
Collect of the Day	

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Word of God

First Lesson	Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalm 119:33-40 <i>Legem pone</i>	BCP 766
Anglican chant by Edward John Hopkins	Sung by the Choir
Epistle	Romans 13:8-14
Sequence Hymn*	Hymnal 529
<i>In Christ there is no East or West</i>	McKee
Holy Gospel	Matthew 18:15-20
Sermon	The Rev. Michael S. White, <i>Rector</i>

Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form II	BCP 385
Confession and Absolution	BCP 360
Peace	

Holy Communion

Offertory <i>O sing unto the Lord</i>	Peter Aston
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 Anthem <i>Christ our Passover</i>	Hymnal S-155
Holy Communion**	Hymnal 577, 336
<i>God is love</i>	Ubi caritas
<i>Come with us, O blessed Jesus</i>	Werde munter
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
Processional	Hymnal 376
<i>Joyful, joyful, we adore thee</i>	Hymn to Joy
Postlude <i>Fetival Voluntary</i>	Flor Peeters

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. Previous rectors of our parish include John Wesley, George Whitefield, F. Bland Tucker and George M. Maxwell. Our website can be found at www.christchurchsavannah.org.

*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.

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

Please remember Christ Church in your Will.

First Lesson

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.



Duccio di Buoninsegna. *The Nativity with the Prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel*.
1308-1311. National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Psalms 119 *Legem pone*

BCP 766

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *

I shall keep it with all my heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

36 Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

Epistle

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three



witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in

heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Burghers of Calais. Auguste Rodin. 1884.

Announcements

Welcome Samantha McKean

Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Today, we formally welcome Samantha McKean to Christ Church as our new Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

Samantha grew up in what she calls "a one-stoplight town" in rural central Ohio. She then attended Wheaton College in Illinois, where she graduated

with a degree in Biblical and Theological Studies. While at Wheaton she found the Episcopal Church and became involved in youth ministry at her church. “When I first started attending an Episcopal church, the thing I really fell in love with was the liturgy. My connection with God wasn’t dependent on my own experience; I felt carried by something bigger than myself. There were voices other than mine speaking those prayers--both within that space and throughout the world--and I felt buoyed up by them. This is something I’ve become passionate about in working with youth and young adults--discovering together the ways in which God’s love carries us.” Having taken leadership roles in youth ministry growing up and in college, she spent her first full year after college putting this love into action as the Youth Minister at her church. She also took the affirmative step of being confirmed at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church in Geneva, Illinois in May 2014. These experiences affirmed her growing sense of call to full-time ministry, and Samantha then attended Duke Divinity School in Durham, North Carolina. During these three years, she interned with Duke’s Episcopal House of Studies, and through the school’s Field Education Program she worked at several different Episcopal Churches. This past year she worked at St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church in Hillsborough, North Carolina with a focus on youth ministry and pastoral relationships with middle and high school students. She graduated this past May with her Master of Divinity degree, was awarded the Jameson Jones Preaching Award and was selected by Duke Divinity to represent the school at the 2017 Excellence in Preaching Conference.



Samantha, through her presence and ministry in Episcopal Churches, has continued to discern a call to ordained ministry in the Episcopal Church. Samantha has fully completed her seminary training and is now officially in the ordination process to be a priest of the Diocese of Georgia. Samantha and Garrett will live at Columba House in Savannah. Columba House is a ministry center for Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Georgia. From this home, Sa-

mantha will work to support Young Adult Ministry in Savannah and around the Diocese in addition to her ministry at Christ Church. The ordination process will take approximately 18 months during which time (God willing) Samantha will be ordained a deacon and then a priest while continuing to serve at Christ Church. In the meantime, she will be a full part of the staff, community, and spiritual life of our entire congregation with an intentional ministry focus toward Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and In loving memory of Malcolm Maclean by his wife, Frances.

Announcements and Upcoming Dates

- **Tonight at 6 p.m.** join us for our Evening Eucharist.
- **Monday, September 11**, from 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m., Christ Church will once again be open for quiet prayer as a commemoration of the lives lost September 11, 2001. We will take this opportunity to offer prayers for those who died, for our nation and for peace. At each moment of impact we will ring our 1819 Revere and Sons Bell.
- **Christ Church Book Group** will meet on **Wednesday, September 14** at 10:30 a.m. in the Undercroft to discuss When Breath Becomes Air, by Paul Kalanithi. All are welcome.
- **Sunday, September 17** at 3 p.m. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry Revival Service at Honey Creek (www.EpiscopalRevivalinGeorgia2017.org).

Hurricane Harvey Response

<http://www.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-harvey-response>

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, the bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, has asked for your prayers to support the people who are suffering from the damage of Hurricane Harvey. Houston and other areas impacted by the hurricane are in Bishop Doyle's diocese. Bishop Doyle has also asked that any financial support be directed to Episcopal Relief and Development which is working with the Episcopal Church in Texas to provide immediate help. The website for contributions is: <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-harvey-response>.

Photos from September 3, 2017

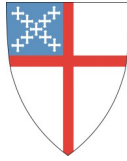


Photos from August 20 and 27, 2017



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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*

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