

The Day of Pentecost
Year B

May 20, 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 *Come, God, the Creator, Holy Spirit (BWV 667) J. S. Bach*

Processional Hymnal 225

Hail thee, festival day! *Salve festa dies*

Opening Acclamation and Response BCP 355

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal S-280

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Word of God

First Lesson Acts 2:1-21

Gradual Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea* BCP 736

Anglican chant by Edward Cuthbert Bairstow Sung by the Choir

Epistle Romans 8:22-27

Sequence Hymn* Hymnal 511

Holy Spirit, ever living *Abbot's Leigh*

Holy Gospel John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Sermon	The Rev. Helen S. White <i>Assistant for Children and Family Ministries</i>
Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People, Form III	BCP 387
The Peace	

Holy Communion

Offertory <i>If ye love me</i>	<i>Philip Wilby</i>
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 Anthem	Hymnal S-155
Holy Communion**	Hymnal 516, 513
<i>Come down, O Love divine</i>	<i>Down Ampney</i>
<i>Like the murmur of the dove's song</i>	<i>Bridegroom</i>
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 365
Processional	Hymnal 522
<i>Glorious things of thee are spoken</i>	<i>Austria</i>
Postlude <i>Chorale variation on 'Veni Creator Spiritus'</i>	<i>Maurice Duruflé</i>

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.

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.

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

First Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent



wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

 `In the last days it will be, God declares,
 that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
 and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
 and your young men shall see visions,
 and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Morgan Kuhn. *Pentecost*. 2010. Private Collection.

Psalm 104 *Benedic, anima mea*

Anglican chant by Edward Cuthbert Bairstow

BCP 736

Sung by the Choir

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.

27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *

and so you renew the face of the earth.

32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

Epistle

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning,

because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your

advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about



righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Duccio di Buoninsegna. *Pentecost*. 1308. Museo dell'Opera del Duomo, Siena.

Announcements

Bon Anniversaire, Aline Callahan!

Last Sunday, we had a special celebration for Aline Callahan, a true "grand dame" of our church and one who epitomizes grace and dignity. Aline, the daughter of French parents from Savoie, France, turned 97 years old on May 9 and was born in then-French Morocco in 1921. Her father was a physician who established free tuberculosis dispensaries throughout Morocco and later became the Sultan's personal physician. Aline attended a Catholic boarding

school in Grenoble, France and later the Lycee Francais in Rabat, Morocco until the outbreak of World War II. She has two daughters, three grandsons and three great-grandchildren. At the time of her husband Park's death in 2016, they had been married for close to 48 years. They moved to Savannah in 1978 and Aline was confirmed as an Episcopalian shortly thereafter at Christ Church by Bishop Paul Reeves.



Altar Flowers and Memorials

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of Franklin Reed Dulany, IV by his family and in thanksgiving for Mary Tyler Whitney and in loving memory of Rosina Brock Whitney by the Webster family.

The Day of Pentecost—May 20

Today, we mark the end of the Great 50 Days of Easter with the Feast of Pentecost, which celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the infant church. “They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak” (Acts 2.4). At Pentecost, we celebrate the gift God gives us of being able to communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ in the various languages of the whole human world. The Gospel

is not the property of any one group, any one culture or history, but is what God intends for the salvation of all who will listen and respond. The peace of Christ is an energy driven by love that reorders all things according to God's desire, not our own. "We have the mind of Christ" says St. Paul (I Cor. 2.16); and, as the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople has recently written, this means that we must have a 'kenotic', a self-emptying approach to each other in the Church. May the Spirit create this in us daily and lead us into that wholeness of truth which is only to be found in the crucified and risen Lord Jesus.

Catherine Gussler, Director of Administration

The vestry, wardens, and rector are pleased to announce that, as of June 14, Catherine Gussler will join the Christ Church staff as Director of Administration. A life-long communicant of our parish, Catherine is ideally suited for this new role. She received her undergraduate and graduate degrees from Vanderbilt University and has taught AP Biology at the Savannah Country Day School for many years. She is also a CPA, has served on the board for Emmaus House and works for several non-profit groups in Savannah. She was baptized and confirmed at Christ Church and, in 1985, she and her husband Joe were married here. They have two grown children: Caroline and Walker.



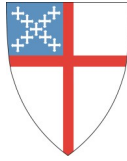
Catherine has already been assisting with the general management of our facilities, creating and updating our website and, as treasurer, monitoring our finances. As our church has grown, so has the need to formalize our operational structure. This new structure will allow the rector and other clergy to devote more time to priestly leadership and ministry. In calling Catherine to this new role, the vestry is mindful of our church's policy not to hire parishioners for church staff positions; however, given Catherine's unique talents and the immediate obligations of our church, the vestry believes she is the ideal person for this position. At the June 13 vestry meeting, a new treasurer will be elected, and Catherine will officially begin her new role of service and ministry to our church. Please join us in giving thanks to God and to Catherine for this exciting opportunity which will offer stable and capable support to all aspects of our congregation's life and ministry.

Photos from May 13, 2018—The Seventh Sunday of Easter



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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*

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

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

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Christ Church, the "Mother Church of Georgia," was founded on February 12, 1733 and is a member of the Diocese of Georgia which, in turn, is one of 110 Dioceses which composes The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and abroad. The Episcopal Church is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces, and regional Churches in communion with the See of Canterbury. The fellowship upholds and propagates the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer.