

**Christ Episcopal Church
Welcomes All
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite I
February 11, 2024
8:00 AM**



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WELCOME

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome here at Christ Church, as you are, to receive the blessings of God so freely given, of new and unending life in Christ. We are thankful that you are here today and we invite you to return often.

Children of all ages are welcome at Christ Church.

**For more information, please contact the church office
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**Office Hours: Monday and Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
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Collect of the Day

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.” Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.” Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the

Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Psalm 50:01-6 (*read responsively*)

The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.

"Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon

The Rev. Henry Galganowicz

Nicene Creed Stand as able

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Prayers of the People, Form II

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Prayer for the Parish

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Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Absolution *Stand or kneel as you choose*

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The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory

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The Bread and Cup are given to the people.

- * *As the Usher invites you, please move toward the center of the Communion Rail.*
- * *You may consume the bread and then drink from the cup, tipping the bottom slightly away from you to assist the chalice bearer; you may dip the bread into the wine, being careful to not place your fingers in the wine; or you may cross your arms in front of you to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine.*
- * *If you prefer a blessing rather than the bread and wine, simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest approaches.*
- * *Once the chalice bearer has returned to the outside of the Communion Rail, that person may stand, and those at the rail follow back to their seats.*
- * *If you are unable to come to the Communion Rail, but would like to receive, please let an usher know; the ministers will gladly come to you.*
- * *Gluten Free is Available.*

Post Communion Prayer *Please stand as able*

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Dismissal – People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.

**Our thanks to The Rev. Henry Galganowicz
for serving today**

PREPARE YOUR HEART AND MIND BY READING AHEAD

The readings for Ash Wednesday, February 14 are Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 103; 2 Corinthians 5: 20b-6:10 and Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21. The liturgical readings for February 18 are Genesis 9: 8-17, Psalm 25: 1-9; 1 Peter 3: 18-22 and Mark 1: 9-15.

Our Worship

Sunday Services at 8 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Eucharist)
Wednesdays at 12:10 P.M. (Healing and Eucharist)

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