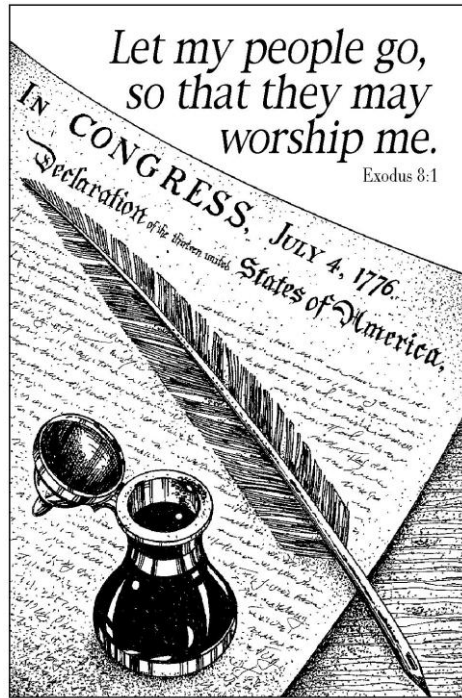


Saint Christopher Episcopal Church  
Fairborn, Ohio  
The Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio



**Welcome!**

Be thoughtful, be silent, and be reverent,  
for this is the house of God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord.

During the service, let the Lord speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another during fellowship

So we may become friends and be strangers no longer.

**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 1, 2018**

**The Celebration of Morning Prayer**

**Ten o'clock in the morning**

**Nursery Care - 10:00 AM**

## Enter to Know Christ – Leave to Make Him Known

*~ Hail Guest! We ask not what thou art; If Friend, we greet thee, hand and heart;  
If Stranger, such no longer be; If Foe, our love shall conquer thee! ~*

### Service of Morning Prayer Rite II

The Prelude

Special Music

Melody Kelley

*All as are able, standing*

**The Processional Hymn: # 705**..... “As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought”

#### Opening Sentences

*Leader* Grace to you and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*People* **I was glad when they said to me,  
Let us go to the house of the Lord.”**

*Leader* Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,

*People* **and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.**

#### Confession of Sin

*Leader:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*(In unison)*

*All as are able, kneeling*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us  
and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.  
Amen.**

*Leader:* Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen  
us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

#### The Invitatory and Psalter

*All as are able, standing*

*Leader* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Leader and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen, Alleluia.**

*Leader and People*

#### Jubilate Psalm 100

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \***

**serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \***

**he himself has made us, and we are his;**

**we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.  
For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**The Psalm: 30** *Exaltabo te, Domine*

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up \*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \*  
and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \*  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, \*  
but joy comes in the morning.
- 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \*  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, \*  
and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O Lord; \*  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"
- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; \*  
O Lord, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

*Leader and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen, Alleluia.**

**The First Reading ..... Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn # 679**..... “The First Song of Isaiah” (*Isaiah 12:2-6*)

**The Second Reading** ..... **2 Corinthians 8:7-15**

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn # 467**..... “Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love”

**The Third Reading**..... **Mark 5:21-43**

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**The Homily**

**Toni Olgeaty**

Taken from Sermons That Work

**Children’s Message**

**The Apostles’ Creed**

*Leader and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers**

*All as are able, kneeling.*

*Leader*            The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Leader*            Let us pray.

*Leader and People*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

## Suffrage

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Leader*

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Leader:* I invite your prayers for the needs of the world, our nation and all those on our parish prayer list:

Carol, Joanne, Joyce, Judy, Thom, Toni, Lynda, Daphne, Florence,  
Gretchen, Peggy, Warren, Camden, Frank, Joe, Nikki, Edwin, Jim and Ann,  
Zada, Betty, James, Jan, Peg, Doris, Deb, Vicky, Tammy, and for all those who lost their health  
and freedom through addiction.

## **A Collect for those we love**

O Lord, we entrust all those who are dear to us to your never failing care and love, for this life and the life to come; knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **Prayer for the Peace of Christ**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have said to your apostles, my peace I give to you, my own peace I leave with you. Regard not our sins but the faith of your church and give to us the peace and unity of the heavenly city where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, One God, now and forever. **Amen**

## **The Peace**

*All as are able, standing.*

*Leader*        The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

## **The Prayer for a Birthday**

*(said in unison)*

**Watch over your child N., O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Prayer for an Anniversary**

*(said in unison)*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who sets the solitary in families: We commend to your continual care the homes in which your people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech you, every root of bitterness, the desire of vainglory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness. Knit together in constant affection those who, in holy wedlock, have been made one flesh. Turn the hearts of the parents to the children, and the hearts of the children to the parents; and so enkindle fervent charity among us all, that we may evermore be kindly affectioned one to another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Healing Prayers will be offered at the altar rail after the service.*

## **The Offertory**

### **The Music at the Offertory**

“The Ash Grove” (a Welsh folk song)

Violin solo: Gaby Vidae Mejia

*All as are able, standing*

## **The Doxology**

**Hymn #380 vs 3,        Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow;  
                              Praise him, all creatures here below;  
                              Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
                              Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## **The General Thanksgiving**    *Leader and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

**A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom** *Leader and People*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

*Leader* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Leader*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Recessional Hymn: #717** ..... “My Country Tis of Thee”

**The Announcements –**

*Please take note of the announcements that follow:*



**Sunday Attendance**

It is important that we are aware of how many people are in attendance on Sunday. So each month we show the attendance numbers. Remember, statistics indicate that to have a thriving and prosperous congregation, we need to shoot for 100 as the average Sunday attendance.

<u>Sunday Attendance</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	67	Easter 131	59	63
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	54	47	70	57
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	47	56	48	42
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	58	56	50	50
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	n/a	63	n/a	51
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>226</u></b>	<b><u>353</u></b>	<b><u>227</u></b>	<b><u>263</u></b>



## ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS

- ☆ **Altar flowers Sunday July 1** – given by Rosalie Arnold in celebration of Christina and Michael’s birthdays.
- ☆ **Sunday July 1 – Morning Prayer Service**
- ☆ **Wednesday July 4** – Holiday for Fourth of July; church office closed.
- ☆ **Friday July 6** – 4-8 pm Fellowship hall and sanctuary: rehearsal for Wedding on July 7.
- ☆ **Saturday July 7** – Wedding
- ☆ **Sunday July 15** – ECW used book sale
- ☆ **Sunday July 15** – NO Vestry meeting; Next Vestry meeting Sunday August 19
- ☆ **Weekly Healing Service** – Tuesdays at noon a Healing Service is held in the church proper. The service is open to anyone who wants to attend.
- ☆ **Check sign-up sheets** – On the counter in Christopher’s Corner there are sign-up sheets for **altar flowers**, sanctuary candles, fellowship, ECW activities, Prayer Chain, etc. **\*\*Please consider signing up for Altar Flowers and/or to host Coffee Hour. Many dates are available!**
- ☆ **OUTREACH** –Remember **Box Tops for Education**. Please continue with donations for FISH; they need shampoo, tooth brushes, cereal, peanut butter, deodorant, toilet paper, sugar, and other Food items. And feed your change to our bank – for 2 cents a meal.
- ☆ **Prayer Concerns:** Please call or email Joyce D’Alessandris to activate the Prayer Chain. e-mail: [dallessa@aol.com](mailto:dallessa@aol.com), phone: 254-0005.
- ☆ **The July/August Lantern** – is online at [stchristophersfairborn.org](http://stchristophersfairborn.org). A printed copy is available upon request.



### *Special Event in July...*

#### **Thursday July 26:** Amish Lunch

We will travel north of Bellefontaine for an Amish lunch in an Amish home owned and operated by Nancy and Mavin Helmuth. Either before or after, we will go to an Amish store that is run by a Hutterite family who are friends of Mary’s. On the way home, we can stop at Marie’s Candies in West Liberty. See the Fellowship article in the July/August Lantern for more information.



~ MISSION STATEMENT ~  
**“Living the Great Commandment by Ministering  
to Our Neighbors in Body, Mind and Spirit.”**

Worship Leader	David Christmas Homily delivered by Toni Olgeaty
Acolyte	James Lester
First Reader	Melody Kelley
Second Reader	Hayward Learn
Ushers	Iyabo Eguaroje, Gordon Hermann
Healing Prayers	tbd
Greeters	Andrea and Alan Haberecht
Nursery	Stauffer
Altar Guild	Eleanor and Becky Wood
Tellers	Rosalie Arnold
Fellowship	Mary Donnellan, Joyce D'Allessandris
Director of Music Ministries	Melody Kelley
Organist Emeritus	Connie Klarer
Senior Warden	Deb Snavelly: 937-478-3687 (C)

**ST. CHRISTOPHER EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
PO BOX 1026 1501 N. BROAD ST,  
FAIRBORN, OHIO 45324-1026  
(937) 878-5614 (Office)**

**Website: [stchristophersfairborn.org](http://stchristophersfairborn.org)  
E-Mail: [office@stchristophersfairborn.org](mailto:office@stchristophersfairborn.org)**

**THE REV. GREGORY P. SAMMONS, SUPPLY PRIEST  
Contact Information: [gpsammons@gmail.com](mailto:gpsammons@gmail.com)  
For Pastoral emergencies only (hospitalizations, etc.)  
419-350-9518**

**CHURCH SECRETARY – KAY MITCHELL  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 10 AM to 2 PM**