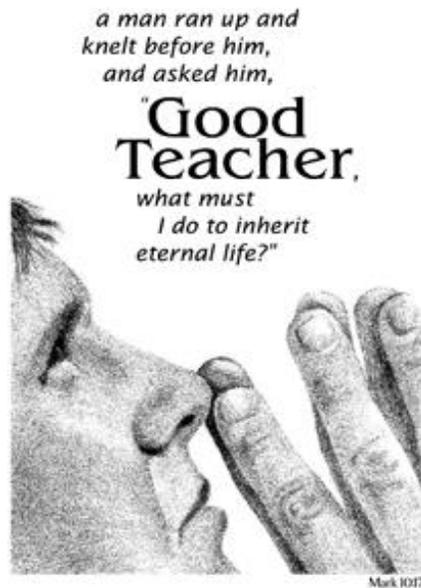


Saint Christopher Episcopal Church
Fairborn, Ohio
The Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio



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.

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 14, 2018

The Celebration of Holy Communion

Ten o'clock in the morning

Sunday School– 9:30 AM

Sunday School and 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! ~*

The Liturgy of the Word

The Prelude

“River of Life”

Melody Kelley

A newly arrived soul to Heaven, passes through the pearly gates only to find he was filled with emotion from earthlife and overwhelmed with his new abode; so he decides to take a walk in the river of life.

Images of blessings, woes and joy wash over him until he realizes he has fulfilled his life purpose. In Triumph, he rises from the river, ready to embrace his new life in Heaven.

Dedication to: Saint Christopher’s Episcopal Church, in honor of Fr. John Paddock’s arrival.

Please stand as you are able.

The Processional Hymn: # 636 “How Firm a Foundation”

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

(in unison)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Hymn of Praise Hymn #8 “Morning Has Broken”

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: 22:1-15 *Deus, Deus meus*

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 “He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him.”
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother’s breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

The Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-16

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

The Gradual Hymn: # 705 “As Those of Old” Vs 1-2

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Holy Gospel Mark 10:17-31

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gradual Hymn: # 705 “As Those of Old” Vs 3

The Homily

The Rev. John S. Paddock

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

My sisters and brothers, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace in time of our need. Trusting in God's grace, we pray, "Be not far from us, O God; for we put our trust in you."

Holy God, give us grace to follow Jesus. Fill us where we are found lacking.

Purge from us all those things that would cause us to stray from the path Jesus has marked for us.

Silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

Almighty God, we pray for all those who feel forsaken. We pray that you will hear the bitter complaints of the oppressed and forlorn. Answer their cries and be their deliverer.

Silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

Mighty Creator, you are great in power and yet you sympathize with us in our weakness: reveal yourself to us through the vast diversity of creation. We stand in awe of your severity and your delicacy.

Silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

Bless, Great Healer, all doctors, nurses, and all those who work for the wellness of others. May your grace always precede and follow them, that they may be good stewards of their gifts and remember that all life and healing comes from you.

Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

Holy One, from birth until even this moment your loving gaze has never faltered. Just as you did for our forebears, heal and deliver those who trust in you. Hear our prayers for those in pain and distress: especially

Judy, John, Linda, Betty, Carol, Joanne, Toni, Lynda, Joe, Edwin, Jim and Ann, Richard, Thea, Zada, Camden, Daphne, Florence, Warren, Frank, Nikki, Deb, and Peg, and for all those who lost their health and freedom through addiction

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

O God, for you all things are possible. Only by your grace are we saved.
Grant us, with all those who have followed your Son in ages past, eternal life.

Silence

Be not far from us, O God; **For we put our trust in you.**

(The Prayers of the People are adapted from Praying the Scriptures, Litanies for Sunday Worship, by Jeremiah D. Williamson)

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 neighbors 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

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

The Peace

Celebrant 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)*

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Healing Prayers are offered at the back of the church during Holy Communion.

The Liturgy of the Table



The Celebrant gives the offertory sentence.

The Music at the Offertory “Declare Your Praise” by Mary McDonald

The Doxology *Please stand as you are able.*

Hymn #380 vs 3, Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The Great Thanksgiving

The Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” S-124 *(sing in unison)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: *(in unison)*

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, *(sing in unison)*

The Lord's Prayer S-150

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread.
For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us
from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom,
the power, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of reflective silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Administration of Communion

The Celebrant says

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

~ All are welcome to the Lord’s Table: open to all who come, so all may be fed. ~

The Communion Hymns: # 324..... “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”
314..... “Humbly I Adore Thee”
487..... “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”

The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray *(in unison)*

Eternal God, Heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Recessional Hymn: #405..... “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

The Announcements

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

Special Music





ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS

- ✧ **Altar flowers Sunday October 14** – given with gratitude for our many blessings.
- ✧ **Sunday Schedule** –
 - 9:30 – Sunday School Junior/Senior high
 - 10:00 – Eucharist, Sunday School Pre-K to Gr. 5
- ✧ **TODAY Sunday October 14** – at 2 p.m. **Cropwalk**. You can sign up to walk, or support others who are walking
- ✧ **Sunday October 21** – ECW used book sale
- ✧ **Sunday October 21** – **11:30 Vestry meeting**
- ✧ **Tuesday October 16** – 7 pm. A single pre-convention meeting for Convention 2018, will be held on Tuesday, October 16 at 7 p.m., at St. Paul's, Dayton. See the Diocese site online for more information.
- ✧ **Monday October 22** – deadline **November 2018 Lantern** articles/info
- ✧ **Sunday October 28** – **4th Sunday FISH donations**.
- ✧ **Weekly Healing Service** – **Tuesdays at noon** a Healing Service with Holy Communion 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/M 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'Allessandris to activate the Prayer Chain. e-mail: dallessa@aol.com, phone: 254-0005.
- ✧ **The October Lantern** – is online at stchristophersfairborn.org. A printed copy is available upon request.
- ✧ We are still collecting used printer cartridges. They can be recycled at the office supply stores. There is a plastic container in Christopher's corner for you to fill!!



~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

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

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Healing Prayers	tbd
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