



**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading** ..... **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

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

**The Psalm: 19** *Cæli enarrant*

- 1    The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
      and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2    One day tells its tale to another, \*  
      and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3    Although they have no words or language, \*  
      and their voices are not heard,
- 4    Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
      and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5    In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
      it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
      it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6    It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
      and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
      nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7    The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
      the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8    The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
      the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9    The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
      the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10   More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
      sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11   By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
      and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12   Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
      cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13   Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
      let them not get dominion over me; \*  
      then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- 14   Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
      heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
      O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**The Second Reading .....1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand as you are able*

**The Gradual Hymn: # 628 ..... “Help Us, O Lord, to Learn” ..... vs 1-2**

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

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

**The Holy Gospel ..... Luke 4:14-21**

*Celebrant*       The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Gradual Hymn: # 628 ..... “Help Us, O Lord, to Learn” ..... vs 3**

**The Homily**

**The Rev. Dr. Lynn D. Sinnott**

**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 fully  
human. 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**

*Lector:* Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. Empowered by the Spirit,  
let us pray together saying, “We bless you, Lord our God. Amen, amen.”

*Lector:* Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,  
O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.

*Silence*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

*Lector:* By the spirit of the Lord, may we, your Church, carry on the work of Jesus. Open our hearts to  
the poor and the captives, to the blind and the oppressed.

*Silence*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

*Lector:* The heavens declare your glory, Great Creator, and the firmament shows your handiwork. We praise you and we thank you for the beauty and majesty of your creation.

*Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

*Lector:* We thank you, O God, for the many members that make up our body; for the gifts, the work, and the prayers we share. We ask you to bless especially our leaders, lay and ordained. Give us wisdom and guide by your Spirit.

*Silence*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

*Lector:* We pray for those who are sick or sorrowful. When they suffer, we suffer with them. Revive and heal them, we pray. May your joy be their strength. Hear our prayers for those in pain and distress: especially

Joanne, Carol, Toni, Lynda, Florence, Warren, Edwin, Jim and Ann,  
Judy, Bob, Betty Jean and Mark, Melissa, Bob, the Carrey Family,  
Joann, Melody, Zada, Linda, Betty, Camden, and Deb.

*Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

*Lector:* O God, you have formed an eternal bond with us in baptism. Whether living or dead, bless and keep your children forever.

*Silence*

*Lector:* We bless you, Lord our God.

*People:* **Amen, amen.**

### **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 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.**

## Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries



*The Celebrant gives the offertory sentence.*

**The Music at the Offertory**      “Prayer of Being” by Mark Hayes

**The Doxology # 380** verse 3      “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

### The Great Thanksgiving

*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; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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” S125      (*Sing in unison*)

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the New Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Christopher and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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!**

*The Celebrant says*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**The Lord's Prayer** *(in unison)*

**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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*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.

*Prayers for healing are offered at the back of the church during Holy Communion  
or at the front of the church after the service*

**The Communion Hymns:** # 321..... “My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread”

# 513.....“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

# 577 ..... “God Is Love, and Where True Love Is”

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray:

**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: #539..... “O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling”**

## 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** “Lift Every Voice and Sing” by Edward B. Marks



Many Thanks to The Rev. Lynn Sinnott for joining us as our Celebrant today.  
Welcome to St. Christopher's!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS

- ☆ Sunday January 27 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday for FISH donations.
- ☆ Sunday February 3 – Annual meeting, elections, and Potluck.
- ☆ Sunday February 3 – 6 p.m. St. C Youth Group “Souper” Bowl Party”.
- ☆ Weekly Healing Service – Tuesdays at noon a Healing Service with Holy Communion.
- ☆ Thursdays – 7:00 Choir
- ☆ 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 – 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 Tree. email: [rjdallessandris@gmail.com](mailto:rjdallessandris@gmail.com), phone: 254-0005.
- ☆ The January Lantern is available at [stchristophersfairborn.org](http://stchristophersfairborn.org). A printed copy is available upon request.



*The Youth and Young Adults of St. Christopher’s invite you and your friends to a Souper Bowl Party on February 3, 2019 commencing at 6 PM in our parish hall.*

Come sample our delicious soups and sandwiches starting at 6:00 PM.  
Munch on chips, dips, and snacks throughout the evening

ENJOY A BREW AT OUR DONATION AS YOU GO BAR

**Show your prowess with our bean bag toss**  
**Win big in our 50/50 raffle**  
**Cheer on your team while watching the game**  
**on our big screen TV**  
**Kick off time 6:30 PM.**

**All proceeds will be used to help fund our mission trips.**  
**Donations gratefully accepted.**

**Sign up now!**

(Signup sheet in the parish hall)

## WEATHER-RELATED CANCELLATION OF CHURCH SERVICES

### How to Check for Closings or Cancellations

WHIO.com and WDTN.com are websites where our notices will be posted. (Please note that our membership size is too small for our closings to be posted in the scrolling news feeds on the TV stations.) Both WHIO and WDTN have news and weather apps for Apple and Android phones that list closings.



Also, you can sign up for text alerts: <https://www.wdtn.com/about-us/text-alerts>.

Once you go to the link you can sign up using the form on the web page. At the bottom of the list of available alerts is a search box where you can type “St. Christopher’s Fairborn” along with any other organizations you would like to know about. If there’s a closing, you will receive a text to that effect.

We will also send an email no later than 9 pm the night before a cancellation or closing.

### ~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

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

Those Who Serve	
Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Lynn D. Sinnott
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