

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CLINTON PARISH

Diocese of Washington

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MISSION STATEMENT

We place our faith in the promise of Jesus Christ, that He is the Way and the Truth and the Life. As members of a Christian Family, we dedicate ourselves to a life of worship, prayer, study, and service. We further dedicate ourselves to bringing His teaching to the community through broader use of our facilities and resources.

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY- YEAR A TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC PRAYER RITE II & VESTRY & DELEGATES COMMISSIONING SERVICE FEBRUARY 15, 2026



**The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda, Rector
Gail Russell, Senior Warden**

Transfiguration Sunday

9:00 AM

February 15, 2026

We welcome you as we worship this morning. If you would like more information about the Christ Church family, speak with Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda, our Rector, Gail Russell or Cedric Kirton, our Senior and Junior Wardens or an usher.

IN HONOR OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH, HERE ARE WORDS OF INSPIRATION:

“I am no longer accepting the things I cannot change. I am changing the things I cannot accept.” —*Angela Davis*

“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.” —*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL

Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda

(SEE ATTACHMENT, LINK, OR HANDOUT FOR REFERENCE SHEET)

PRELUDE “NOBODY KNOWS THE TROUBLE I’VE SEEN” NEGRO SPIRITUAL

All stand, if able, for Procession.

PROCESSIONAL “CHRIST IS THE WORLD’S TRUE LIGHT” 1982 Hymnal, #542 (LEM1)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR PURITY

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELCIS “Glory to God”

1982 Hymnal, # S280 (LEM 1)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit

A reading from the Book of Exodus 24:12-18

(LECTOR)

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99 (*Dominus regnavit*)
Read responsively at the asterisk

(LEM 2)

The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Reading from 2 Peter 1:16-21

(LEM 1)

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN "FAIREST LORD JESUS" 1982 Hymnal, #383, v 1,2

(LEM 1)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ acc. to Matthew 17:1-9

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

After the gospel

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN "FAIREST LORD JESUS" 1982 Hymnal, #383, v 3

SERMON

Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda

Brief Silence for Reflection

THE NICENE CREED *Celebrant and People together say*

(LEM 1)

**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 EXAMINATION OF THE WARDENS, VESTRY, CO-TREASURERS, REGISTRAR, AND CONVENTION DELEGATES

*The congregation being seated, the celebrant stands in full view of the people.
The sponsors and candidates stand facing the celebrant.*

The Celebrant says

Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the Name of God and of this congregation to a special ministry to which they are called.

The Celebrant asks the people

Celebrant: Are these persons you are to present prepared by a commitment to Christ as Lord, by regular attendance at worship, and by the knowledge of their duties, to exercise their ministry to the honor of God, and the well-being of his Church?

***People:* I believe they are.**

Celebrant: You have been called to a ministry in this congregation. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

***Candidates:* I will.**

Celebrant: Will you faithfully and reverently execute the duties of your ministry to the honor of God, and the benefit of the members of this congregation?

***Candidates:* I will.**

COMMISSIONING OF THE VESTRY

Celebrant: I present to you these persons to be admitted to the ministry of Wardens and members of the Vestry, co-treasurers, and registrar in this congregation.

People: The Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity.

Celebrant: I am your servant; grant me understanding:

Vestry: That I may know your decrees.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Wardens, Vestry, Co-Treasurers, Registrar, and Convention Delegates of this congregation, and so rule their minds, and guide their counsels, that in all things, they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you Gail Russell as Senior Warden, Cedric Kirton as Junior Warden, Art Taylor, Jean Henry, Marvise Middleton, Luan George, and Martina Beck as Members of the Vestry; Bill Hicks and Jean Henry as Co-Treasurers; and Marvise Middleton as Registrar in this Parish and give you these gifts as tokens of your ministry.

COMMISSIONING OF THE DELEGATES TO THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Celebrant: I present to you these persons duly elected as Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Diocesan Convention, to be commissioned for their ministry. Call a solemn assembly, gather the people, assemble the elders, and sanctify the congregation.

V. Save your people, Lord and bless your inheritance.

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal Lord God, who by the Holy Spirit presided at the council of the Apostles to guide them in all knowledge and truth: Be present with the Delegates of this congregation soon to be assembled in Diocesan Convention. In the passions of

debate give them a quiet spirit, in the complexities of the issues give them clear minds, and in the moments of decision give them courageous hearts. Guide them in all things to seek only your glory and the good of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you, Gail Russell as Delegate to the Diocesan Convention and you, Marvise Middleton, as Alternate Delegate to the Diocesan Convention and give you these gifts as tokens of your ministry.

INTERCESSION

(LEM 2)

Let us pray for the following:

For the Anglican Communion:

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

For the Diocese

The ministry of the Rosemont Center

Pray for our Muslim siblings observing the Season of Ramadan

Ash Wednesday (February 18)

For the healing of body, mind, and spirit:

Mike Alfieri

Tom and Nancy

Andracsek

Barbara and Paul

Birckner

Mary Ann Bivens

Chet Boden

Rev. and Mrs. E. Kent

Booth

Eda Brawner

Glenda Briscoe

Shawna Brooks

Rev. Cassandra &

Malachi Burton and

Family

Tommy Cloer Family

John Clough

Geneva & Ray Comer

The Davis Family

Lila Dixon Family

Alice Dove

Karen Dunlop

Raine Gabriel

Brie Gilbert

Ronnie Gilbert

Sylvia Green

Kelvin Hackett

Holly & Paul Harding

Leslynn Harding

Curtis Hicks

Mr. Hodges	Family	Marilyn Thompson
Joan Hyde	Prem	Viola Thompson
Janese Jackson	Jimmy Rankin Family	Janet Tolbert
Clara Jenkins	Frizzelle Renwick	John Travis
Eric Johnson	Jim Rouse	Joseph Gabriel Travis
Johanna Kinley	Latonia Saunders	The Vining Family
Bob Lau	Michael, Jessie, Dixie &	Dale Walden
Virginia Lindsey	Ruari Saunders	Margaret Walls
Laura Mack	Renate Schlett	Burnita Weaver
Rosemarie Malatesta	Ina Shepherd	Jim and Judy Williams
Jeraldine Massey	Sylvia Spruill	Anna Wilson
Marvise Middleton	Ed Stafford	Kenneth Wilson
The Morgan Family	Donna Strasburg	Linda Wilson
Fae Morrison	Patricia Stroup and	Victoria Leake Lewis
Cindy Myers	Family	Woods
Hilda Norwood	Janet Sullivan	Nina Youngerman
Delbert Orrison	Diana Terry	
Chris & Kim Orrison and	Betty Thompson Family	

For those who are homebound: Laura Mack, Hilda Norwood, and Janet Sullivan

For those serving in the US Armed Services:

Christopher Conti – Son of Cynthia Allen

Guy R. Gabriel, Jr. – Grandson of James and Raine Gabriel

Paul A. Harding – Son of Paul and Holly Harding

Tregenza Henry – Husband of Jean Henry

Phil Lance – Grandson of Janet Sullivan

Joseph (JD) Lau- Grandson of Bob and Lynne Lau

Chris Orrison – Husband of Kim Orrison

Demarais Roach – Godson of Ernest Norwood

Sylvan Evald Smith – Granddaughter of Christina Evald

Andrew and Luke Travis – Grandsons of Marge Travis

Don LaVoe Wright, Jr. – Son of Billie Jean Wright

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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.**

COLLECT FOR STRENGTH AND CONFIDENCE BCP, p.459

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS *BCP, p. 830, # 50*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant Jams Gabriel, Gwendolyn Carrington, and others, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS *BCP*, p. 828, # 45

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who settest the solitary in families: We commend to thy continual care the homes in which thy people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech thee, every root of bitterness, the desire of vain glory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, and 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.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE TRAVELING *BCP*, p. 831, # 53

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE NATION *BCP*, p.207, #17

Lord God Almighty, who has made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country, The United States of America, a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

WELCOME GUESTS AND 1ST TIME VISITORS PRAYER

The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wulck-Nortey Yoda

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord, help us to welcome every guest as if we were welcoming you, delighting in their presence and ready to learn what good news they bring to us. **Amen.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE *All stand, if able.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCES **The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda**

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

The ushers come to the chancel steps to receive the offering plates. The congregation place their offerings on the plates being passed along the pews.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **“I HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE JESUS MY CHOICE” CEC CHOIR**

THE DOXOLOGY “Praise God” (*Old 100th*) 1982 Hymnal, # 380, v. 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.**

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The crucifer places the blessed offering on the table near the altar.

Live-streaming participants are invited to participate in communion by placing before you a small amount of bread or crackers and wine or juice. Place your hands on them as the Celebrant recites the words of consecration. Please, eat and drink reverently as you would do in church and don't keep any leftovers.

LEM 2 places the blessed offering on the table near the altar.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

The people remain standing, if able.

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

 *Bell is rung*

Celebrant and People sing,

THE SANCTUS “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY” THE BCP, P.362

The people stand or kneel, if able.

Then 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." (Participants on the Live Stream touch the bread)

 *Bell is rung*

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."

 *Bell is rung*

(Live Stream participants touch the cup)

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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 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 forever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP p. 363 *People and Celebrant*

The hymn begins on the next page.

Unison

Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal - low - ed

be thy name, Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in

heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly

bread. And for - give us our debts as we for - give our

debt - ors. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - liv - er us from

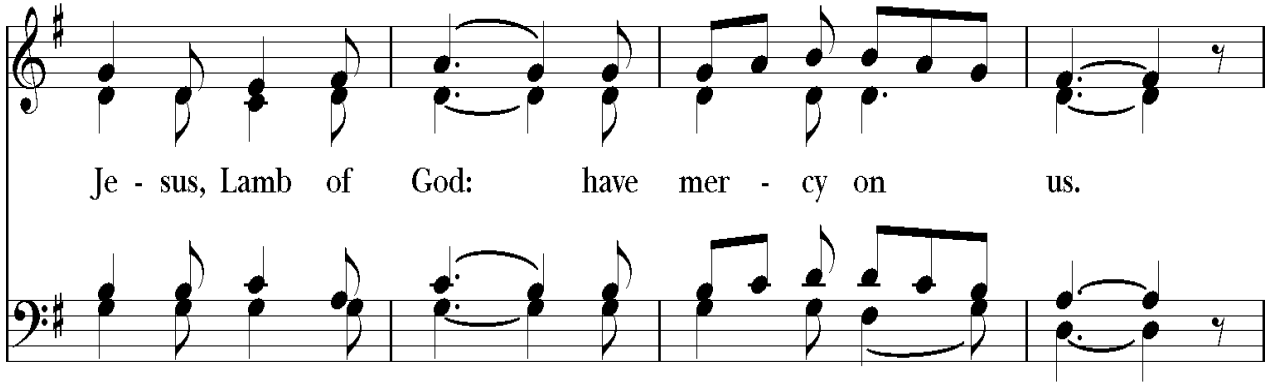
e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the

glo - ry, for - ev - er. A - men.

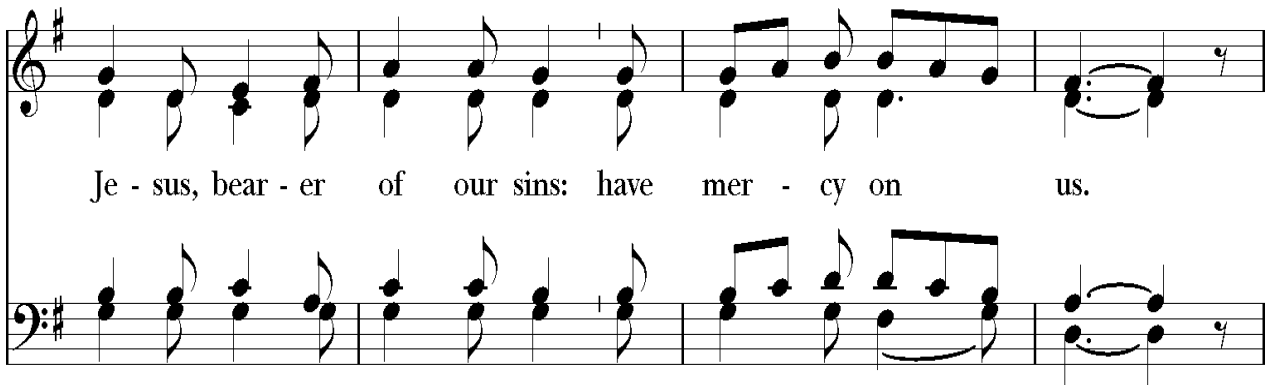
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

AGNUS DEI "Jesus, Lamb of God" BCP p. 407
 The Hymn begins on the next page.



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

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THE FRACTION

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.

COMMUNION *All are invited to the rail at the Table of the Lord.*

The Celebrant, assisted by LEM 1, will distribute the communion kits.

(On-line participants eat and drink)

COMMUNION HYMN “I Love To Tell The Story” 1982 LEVAS Hymnal #64

The Hymn begins on the next page.

1. I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
 2. I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best

1. Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of Je - sus and His love.
 2. Seem hun - ger-ing and thirst-ing To hear it, like the rest.

1. I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
 2. And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

1. It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
 2. 'Twill be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo - ry.



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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wolck-Nortey Yoda

RECESSIONAL "Christ, Whose Glory Fills The Skies" 1982 Hymnal, #7 (LEM 1)

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRAYER

O God, give me clean hands, clean words and clean thoughts. Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong. Save me from habits that harm. Teach me to work as hard and play as fair in thy sight alone as if the whole world saw. Forgive me when I am unkind and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me. Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself. Send me chances to do a little good every day and so grow more like Christ. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wulck-Nortey Yoda

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

“AMEN” **CEC Choir**

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers:

The Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God

Assisting in the Service:

Organist: Timothy Credle

LEMS: Luan George (LEM 1); Art Taylor (LEM 2 & POP)
 Gail Russell (LECTOR)

Ushers: Bill Hicks, Dave Jackson, Mike Beck

Zoom technician: Tregenza Henry, Dave Jackson, Steve Beall

Lessons for the First Sunday in Lent, February 22, 2026

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11; Psalm 32

LEMS for the First Sunday in Lent, February 22, 2026

Jean Henry (LEM 1); Deirdre Lee (LEM 2 & POP); Jeremy Copeland (LECTOR)

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
FEBRUARY 15 – FEBRUARY 21, 2026

Today **9:00 AM Eucharist**
10:30 AM Refreshments – Dun Hall
 AA Meeting 7:30 PM – Dun Hall

Monday

Tuesday **10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Thrift Shop Work Session**
 AA Meeting 1:00 PM – Dun Hall
4:00 PM – 6:30 PM PANCAKE SUPPER
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM Compline/Bible Study via Zoom

Wednesday **12:00 PM – 1:30 PM ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**
10:30 AM – 4:30 PM Church Office open
 AA Meeting 7:30 PM – Dun Hall

Thursday AA Meeting 6:30 PM – Dun Hall
7:30 PM – 8:30 PM Daughters of the King Prayer and Bible Study

Friday AA Meeting 1:00 PM – Dun Hall

Saturday **11:00 AM CEC Choir Rehearsal**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ Church is pleased to welcome all for worship in person and via Live Streaming and Zoom conference call every Sunday at 9am.

Please note the “Join Zoom Meeting” computer login:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84987754393?pwd=L3dWcnZiU2YzZmdlaHhhTzIOeFV5Zz09>

Zoom phone call instructions:

Telephone Number 1-301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 849 8775 4393. Press #

Passcode: 601866. Press #

Please join and invite your relatives, friends and neighbors. Remember to mute your phones. The bulletins are emailed in “Parish News”.

WELCOME CEC VESTRY OFFICERS & DELEGATES: Gail Russell (Senior Warden/Delegate), Cedric Kirton (Junior Warden), Jean Henry (Co-Treasurer), Bill Hicks (Co-Treasurer), Marvise Middleton (Officer/Registrar/Alternate Delegate), Martina Beck (Officer), Luan George (Officer), and Art Taylor (Officer). We thank God for their dedication and service to God and His church.

EDOW POSITION: Chesapeake Climate Corps member

Full-time, stipended position, August 2026-August 2027

Must be 18-25 years old on start date of the program. *Applications due by March 6*

More information/apply at: edow.org/creation

The Episcopal Diocese of Washington is seeking a young adult enthusiastic about the role of churches in creation care & environmental justice to join our team in August 2026. As a member of the Chesapeake Conservation and Climate Corps, the person in this role will increase our parishes’ capacity to care for our earth while learning alongside a Corps cohort. This position will focus on EDOW’s Maryland congregations (in Montgomery, Prince George’s, Charles, and St. Mary’s Counties). This 1-year, hybrid, full-time position is open to young adults ages 18-25. Office space will be available at diocesan offices and in Maryland as needed. [More details in this 2-page job description.](#)

To apply: (1) [Apply by March 6](#) and select EDOW as the host organization (“Capital Region: Frederick, Montgomery, and Prince George’s Counties”). (2) [Email Michelle Dibblee](#) (mdibblee@edow.org), Missioner for Equity and Justice, with an inquiry and attached resume; subject line: “Climate Corps Member Inquiry.”

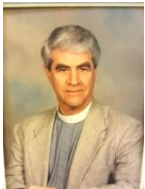
COVID/FLU PROTOCOLS. We ask if you have been exposed to Covid or are experiencing any symptoms, please stay home. In line with new CDC, state and local Covid policies, Christ Church has revised our protocols to the following:

- 1) Masks are optional
- 2) Seating restrictions have been lifted, but please respect the space of others
- 3) Elbow bumps may be used at peace, but respect other's choices.

Sanitizer will be available for use. We will not have a common cup and plate. Individually packaged communion elements will be used. We offer non-alcoholic as well as alcoholic communion packets.

PANCAKE SUPPER will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 4pm.

ASH WEDNESDAY service will be held on Wednesday, February 18 at 12 noon.



DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT. The Rev. William D. Underhill, the Third Rector of Christ Church (1991-1998), died January 30, 2026. His memorial was held on February 14 at their home in Kingston MA. May his soul rest in peace. We cover his widow, Sandy, in our prayers.

VESTRY meetings are held after the service on First Sundays from September to June.

ELECTRONIC GIVING. You can give to Christ Church via Zelle, PayPal, Credit Card, or Debit Card. Go on the church website, click on the DONATE button at the top and then click on the PayPal link at the bottom of the page. You can use your phone or computer with your bank's online or mobile apps to access Zelle. Use the email treasurer@christchurchclinton.org and the church will receive and acknowledge your gifts. You may designate your gift a specific fund, such as General or Building Fund, ECW, Pledge, Rector's Discretionary Fund, Air Conditioning Fund, etc.

PRAYER LIST. If you would like the names of loved ones, friends or colleagues added to the prayer list, please email prayer requests to either the church office at christepiscopalchurchclinton@gmail.com or Gail Russell at grussell6805@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENT PROCEDURE. Anyone with announcements should email them to the church administrator, Rosemary Greenaway, at christepiscopalchurchclinton@gmail.com , or give them to Gail Russell (grussell6805@gmail.com) so they can be included in the bulletin and/or announced in church.

COMPLINE/BIBLE STUDY. Join our weekly Bible Study and Prayer every Tuesday, from 7pm – 8pm via Zoom. We are studying the Book of Psalms. Members are encouraged to share their faith as we pray and study The Scriptures. We guarantee you'll be moved to learn new things about the Bible while enjoying the fellowship of the group. The Zoom link, ID and Passcode are as follows:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84429367529?pwd=pAHRkfaa7cFxPRI7FfMGbBISawRza7.1> Meeting ID: 844 2936 7529, Passcode: 669248Join by phone: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING. The Order of the Daughters of the King, The Phebe Chapter. Monthly meetings are held on the fourth Sunday following the service. Prayer and Bible Study is every Thursday at 7:30pm. Our mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through prayer, service, and evangelism. The DOK runs the Food Pantry as part of their service to the community.

Women interested in joining may contact our officers: Teresa Beall (President), Rosemary Greenaway (Vice-President), Marvise Middleton, (Secretary), Jean Henry (Treasurer), Rev. Creamilda Yoda (Chaplain). Here is the zoom link for the weekly Thursday evening Prayer and Bible study:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87071037781?pwd=4jw2XIb1Gaxx34oXFmbE9zPewtelLg.1> Meeting ID: 870 7103 7781 Passcode: 266954

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew meets every First Saturday at 11am. Its mission is to encourage the spread of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ among men and youth through study, prayer and service. If you are interested in joining, please reach out to the president, Quentin Banks.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN meets on the second Sunday of the month from September through May. All women of the church are automatically members. ECW supports the Coffee Hour, Thrift Store, Spaghetti Suppers, Pancake

Suppers/Bake Sale, the Easter Breakfast between the 6am and 9am services and numerous activities.

FOOD PANTRY. The Christ Church Food Pantry is run by the Daughters of the King. It provides a vital service to the community. It is open on the First and Third Saturday of each month from 9am -11am. All donations are accepted and greatly appreciated. During this challenging time, everyone is encouraged to donate a non-perishable item for the Food Pantry.

CONNIE’S CORNER THRIFT SHOP. The Thrift shop provides a valuable service to the community and welcome funding for Christ Church. Donations are accepted year-round. We offer good quality items of clothing, home décor, cooking utensils, books, and toys. The dedicated staff includes Roseanna Brine, Sr. Warden Gail Russell, and others. The shop is open on the First and Third Saturday 9AM–1PM.

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