

To Visitors

Welcome! We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. Page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer, which is the red book located in the rack on the back of the pew in front of you. The Hymnal is the blue book. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to answer questions about worship at Christ Church Cathedral and opportunities for fellowship, education, and servant ministry. Please complete a Visitor's Card and leave it with an usher or place it in the alms basin. You may also visit our website, christcathedral.org, to learn more about the Cathedral. Thank you for visiting!

HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION (*BCP, p. 323*)

GLORIA (*BCP, p. 324*)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON – Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

PSALM 22:24-30

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who
worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
“May your heart live for ever!”

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to
the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down
in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD’s for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

THE SECOND LESSON – 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

THE GOSPEL LESSON – John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch

cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

SERMON – The Reverend Lyonel Gilmer
A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP, p. 326*)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*BCP, p. 328*)

THE PEACE

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*BCP, p. 333*)

The Lord’s Prayer (*BCP, p. 336*)

The Breaking of the Bread (*BCP, p. 337*)

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (*BCP, p. 339*)

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

ALTAR GUILD – Deborah Brewington, Cindy Tyler, Meghan Gwaltney
FLOWER GUILD – Elaine Smyth, Peggy Warner
SACRISTAN – Brooks Smith
USHER – Ralph Fitzgerald

PRAYERS

Today we pray for *Will Chappell, Roberta LaBour, Darlene Kimbrough, Leigh MacMillan, Mary Kane, Renee McLaughlin, Gabriel King, Linda Booth, Valerie Middleton, Madeleine Scruggs, Christine Adamczyk, and the Barnes family.*
We give thanks for the birth of *Anna Chloe Lane, great niece of Jere Lane.*
We pray also for those who have died, especially *Peggy Barnes, stepmother of Ashby Barnes; Bill Dew, friend of Garland Barnes; Ryan Dunn, friend of Allan Redd; and Reid B. Johnson, brother of Hal Johnson.*

St. Luke’s Community House (*one of the agencies the Cathedral supports*) serves low-income people of West Nashville by offering a variety of family-oriented services, such as child development programs and mobile meals to the elderly and handicapped.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Nicholas Fleming Concepcion, by Janetta Fleming.*

CHURCH SCHOOL

Adult Classes:

Sunday Forum

“Science & Religion: Doctor, Heal Thyself”

Led by Dr. Deaver Collins, M.D. (Parish Hall)

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer and Inner Awakening, by Cynthia Bourgeault

Led by Arlene Wilson (Cathedral Annex Building)

Faith & Family Matters

Led by Anna and Tom Noser (810 Broadway Building)

Topics for Christian Reflection

“The Oxford Movement: Anglican Renewal in the 19th Century” Part 1 of 3

Led by the Reverend Canon Joshua Caler (Cathedral Annex Building)

On Islam: A Book Study

“Current Issues” (pp. 253-297, Chapter 8)

Led by Daniel Schafer (Chapel)

Children’s Classes

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Age 3 (as of 08/15/14) through 1st grade—Cheek Hall

2nd through 5th grade—Cathedral Annex Building

Youth Classes:

6th-12th grades (810 Broadway Building)

SERMON NOTES:

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, May 3

5 Easter

7:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

7:30-8:30 a.m. – Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

9:45 a.m. – Christian Education

9:45 a.m. – Centering Prayer

10:00 a.m. – Liturgy of Light

11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

12:20 p.m. – Coffee Minute

3:30 p.m. – Organ Concert-Mark Pacoe and

Solemn Choral Evensong with

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

5:00 p.m. – Reception

MONDAY, May 4

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:00 p.m. – Commission on Christian Formation

12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

4:15 p.m. – Junior Choristers

TUESDAY, May 5

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

5:30 a.m. – Centering Prayer

6:00 p.m. – Companions in Christ

6:00 p.m. – EfM (*off-site*)

WEDNESDAY, May 6

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:30 a.m. – EfM

11:00 a.m. – Bible Study

12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

4:30 p.m. – Senior Choristers

THURSDAY, May 7

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

12:15 p.m. – Centering Prayer

4:30 p.m. – Scripture, Saints, and Song

7:00 p.m. – Cathedral Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, May 8

7:15 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

SATURDAY, May 9

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – Cathedral Tours

SUNDAY, May 10

6 Easter

7:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

7:30-8:30 a.m. – Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

9:45 a.m. – Christian Education

9:45 a.m. – Centering Prayer

11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

12:20 p.m. – Coffee Minute

FOR SUNDAY, MAY 3
7:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

CELEBRANT

The Reverend Canon Gene B. Manning, *Sub-Dean*

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The Reverend Lyonel Gilmer

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