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ANGLICAN CHURCH

Christ the King Sunday

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Order of Worship

We invite you to follow the service in the Book of Common Prayer by referencing the page numbers listed. If you worship from home and do not have a Prayer Book but would like one, you may order one [here](#). All parts of the service are projected in-house or subtitled in our live video, except for the sermon. A guideline for Anglican worship generally: we stand to praise God, we sit to listen, and we kneel to pray.

Proclamation Hymn

The ministers for the service enter preceded by a cross and some choose to bow as the cross passes; they are not bowing to the ministers, nor are they worshipping the cross. It is a way some choose to honor Jesus's atoning death for us.

The Acclamation 123

These opening lines vary according to the seasons of the church calendar.

The Collect for Purity 124

This 11th-century prayer begins almost every Anglican worship service.

The Summary of the Law 124

On specific penitential Sundays, we replace the "Summary of the Law" with the 10 Commandments (or Decalogue). In both instances, hearing God's law reminds us of God's expectations for our lives.

The Kyrie 124

Literally "Lord, have mercy," this Greek prayer is the oldest prayer in our liturgy and comes from the age of the apostles. On entering the presence of God, we ask for mercy.

The Gloria in Excelsis 125

This 2nd-century prayer, written in the poetic form of a Psalm, proclaims that we have entered into the presence of God as we have worshiped him.

The Collect of the Day

623

Collects “collect” our thoughts and focus them on a theme found in the Lessons and Gospel as the service shifts our attention to listening to God’s Word.

The Lessons

729

These readings usually come from the lectionary, a schedule of readings that many churches around the world follow every Sunday. In using the lectionary, we worship with them and they with us. We use the English Standard Version.

Daniel 7:9–14

9 “As I looked,

thrones were placed,

and the Ancient of Days took his seat;

his clothing was white as snow,

and the hair of his head like pure wool;

his throne was fiery flames;

its wheels were burning fire.

10 A stream of fire issued

and came out from before him;

a thousand thousands served him,

and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;

the court sat in judgment,

and the books were opened.

11 “I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. 12 As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

13 “I saw in the night visions,
and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.
14 And to him was given dominion
and glory and a kingdom,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,
and his kingdom one
that shall not be destroyed.

Psalm 93

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1 The LORD is King and has put on glorious apparel; *
the LORD has put on his apparel and girded himself with
strength.
2 He has made the round world so sure *
that it cannot be moved.
3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.
4 The floods have risen, O LORD; the floods have lifted up their
voice; *

the floods have lifted up their waves.

5 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the waves
of the sea, *

the LORD who dwells on high is mightier.

6 Your testimonies, O LORD, are very sure; *

holiness adorns your house for ever.

Revelation 1:1-8

1 The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things that must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, 2 who bore witness to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw. 3 Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood 6 and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and

who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

Gradual Hymn

The medieval practice of singing before the Gospel reading was restored in American Anglicanism in 1928.

The Gospel

Since at least the 4th century, the Church has asked those able to do so to stand during the reading of the Gospel.

John 18:33–37

33 So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” 34 Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” 35 Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?” 36 Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” 37 Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.”

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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This 4th-century statement summarizes our Christian faith. If you do not share our faith, please stand with us silently as a gesture of respect to us, just as we respect your silence.

The Prayers of the People

Congregants may add specific prayers during the pauses. Please speak loudly

so that we can hear and agree with you.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. *(Please offer your own thanksgivings.)*
Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Neil, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Bishop for this Diocese that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad. We pray especially for our mission partner, the Bp. Ochiel Siloam Trust. We also pray for the least reached people groups of the world, especially the Gujar of South Asia. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially in Kuwait; we pray you would give them strength in their time of trouble. We also pray for those who persecute your people; forgive them and turn their hearts toward you through the faithful witness of those they persecute. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For our nation, and for all in authority, especially our President, our Congress, and our Courts. May they administer justice, govern wisely, and strive for the welfare and peace of the whole world. We also pray for first responders, relief workers, and those in the armed forces connected to our parish. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, praying you would grant us grace to follow their

good examples, that with them we might partake in your heavenly kingdom, in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

The Confession and Absolution of Sin 129

The Comfortable Words 130

The Peace 131

Here the congregation takes time before Communion to make sure that there are no broken relationships within the community, and to seek forgiveness if there are. COVID has changed this part of the service to a passing wave for those worshiping in-person, which means the opportunity for reconciliation is missed. We heartily encourage you to seek out those with whom you may need to mend relationships before the next service so that when taking Communion, you may do so with a clear conscience. Those worshiping at home should take the opportunity to offer forgiveness to one another.

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The Offertory 131

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Offertory Song

The Sursum Corda 132

Literally “Lift up your hearts.” This command is from the 2nd century and opens the Communion service in every ancient liturgy known today.

The Sanctus 132

Syrian Christians in the 3rd century adopted this prayer from the Jewish synagogues. It combines imagery from the Psalms and the prophet Isaiah.

The Prayer of Consecration 132

The Lord’s Prayer 134

The Fraction 135

This action symbolically pictures Christ’s body broken on the cross for us.

The Prayer of Humble Access 135

Literally “Lamb of God,” this ancient prayer, written by Syrian Christians, was adopted by western Christianity in the 7th century.

The Ministration of Communion

All baptized Christians may receive Communion. Ushers will direct you to the altar rail where you may kneel. If you are not baptized and would like to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will quietly pray God’s blessing upon you. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, please inform the priest.

Communion Songs

The Post-Communion Prayer 137

This prayer from 1549 summarizes all the themes of the Communion service: thanksgiving, mystery, unity with Christ, spiritual nurture, mission, and the coming Kingdom of God.

The Blessing

Hymn for Processing into the World

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

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Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns,
All music but it's own!
Awake my soul and sing,
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife,

For those He came to save:
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high;
Who died eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of love,
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:
All hail Redeemer, hail,
For Thou hast died for me.
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity.

The Dismissal

To honor this parish's origins in the Anglican Church of Kenya we use the dismissal form from the Kenyan Prayer Book. You may see parishioners pointing to the cross as we send our cares to Christ, and then pointing to the heavens as we declare where our hope resides. These are optional motions – as you may have heard said, “all may, some should, none must.”

Deacon All our problems

All We send to the cross of Christ.

Deacon All our difficulties

All We send to the cross of Christ.

Deacon All the devil's works

All We send to the cross of Christ.

Deacon All our hopes

All We set on the risen Christ.

The deacon or priest sends us out into the world with a final dismissal.

All Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Mission Spotlight

When Servants was formed in 2006, we were invited to be part of the Diocese of Southern Nyanza, Kenya, under the leadership of Bp. James Ochiel. Though we are now under the ACNA and Bp. James is retired, we continue to receive spiritual support from him and we give financially to his trust – the Bp. Ochiel Siloam Trust. We have a scholarship fund for high school and college students and for building water tanks. Throughout the month of November we'll be collecting funds for these projects. Visit servantsanglican.org/give to donate online or make checks out to Servants of Christ with “Kenya scholarships” or “Kenya water tanks” in the memo line. Contact Janice Ladd with questions at janladd3@gmail.com.

Prayer Reminders for the Week

The least reached people group: Gujar of South Asia

The persecuted church in: Kuwait

First responders, relief & healthcare workers, and armed forces personnel connected to Servants: Tom Benton, Jeannie Bey, Sarah Chandler, Scottie Daquila, Danielle Elswick, Ethan Gibson, Rick Guerry, Annette Hall, John Harris, Lisa Kincaid, Libby King, Peter King, Chris Lewis, Barbara Matthews, Tiebout McCrea, Steve McCready, Tom McGee, Taylor Moore, Kate Norton, Josh Pothen, and Andrew Thompson

Clergy of our parish: Foley, our Archbishop; Neil, our Bishop; Alex, our Rector; Bob, James, and Michael, assisting clergy; and Sherry in Live Oak

Churches in our diocese: St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral, Tallahassee, FL; Grace Anglican Church, Fleming Island, FL; St. Andrew's Anglican Fellowship, Pensacola, FL; St. Michael's Anglican Fellowship, Andalusia, AL

Specific needs in our parish: Healing—Tim Austin, Karen Langer, and Sandra Mixson; Servants at home—Barbara & Tim Austin, Charlotte Barrett, Judi Burger & Rick Mulligan, Jan Campana-Schrottke & Gus Schrottke, Alice Crosby, Kathleen Crosby, Larry & Leslie Goble, Andrew & Claudia Hanson, Bob Lyons & Rae Maren-Lyons, Jim Moulthrop, Nan Szypulski-Lewis, and Stan Reigger

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Special Events

Return Giving Cards: If you plan to give to Servants in 2022, please complete a giving commitment card and return it by next Sunday to the church office or the offering plate. If you need a card, you can find them in the narthex on one of the tables.

#ChooseTheLight Training: Saturday, December 11, all priests, clergy, staff, lead volunteers, and those who work with children should plan to attend our sexual misconduct prevention training here in the Sanctuary. Full details and reading materials can be found at servantsanglican.org/sexual-misconduct-prevention. Those who are new to the training should plan to attend from 9:00am-12:30pm; those who are renewing should plan to attend 11:00am-12:30pm. Attendees must read through the Sexual Misconduct Policy prior to the training. Email Kim Harris with any questions at kim@servantsanglican.org.

Weekly Gatherings

“Belonging to Christ: The Lord’s Prayer”: Kathy Ayres and Justin Smith will be wrapping up their Godspace class on the Lord’s Prayer today after the service. Be on the lookout for the next class in our catechesis series “Believing in Christ: The Apostles’ Creed” which will be coming next semester!

Youth Group & Club 345: Youth Group for 6th–12th grades and Club 345 for 3rd–5th grade meets at the church tonight from 4:00–6:00pm. The groups meet separately, so contact Fr. Michael Mayo with questions about Youth Group at michael@servantsanglican.org and Kim Harris with questions about Club 345 at kim@servantsanglican.org.

Servants Young Adults: Join the group tonight at Servants at 6:30pm for Compline and Tuesdays, 7:00–9:00pm, to hang out and fellowship. The Tuesday location changes weekly, so contact Kim Harris if you'd like to attend at kim@servantsanglican.org.

Wednesdays @Servants: We're back with new classes this fall! We've got two short classes planned:

- **“Running on Judeo-Christian Fumes”:** December 1 & 8 [on Zoom](#) at 7:00pm. In week 1, Dr. Andrew Hanson will address where we are now. We're running out of fumes. This class takes stock of effects of this we see every day and asks where the ideas that are replacing Judeo-Christian ones come from. In week 2, he will address what comes next. Many people of faith had to operate in hostile environments in the past. This class looks at the strategies they adopted and whether these have Scriptural warrant. Sign up [here](#).
- **Ask a Priest:** December 15, 7:00pm [on Zoom](#). Come ask a priest anything! Submit questions ahead of time [here](#) or just come with your question prepared. Maybe you've always wondered about how the Bible came to us, or perhaps you have questions about Baptism or Communion, or maybe you have a burning question about how Servants interact with some aspect of the broader culture. Nothing is off-limits and we encourage you to write questions down as they occur to you in the service or during your week!

“Anglicanism 101”: Sundays, November 28, December 5 & 12 after the service, Fr. James and Fr. Alex will be leading an introduction to

Anglicanism class in the Sanctuary. This event will be in person and also streamed online. The class is ideal for anyone who is interested in learning more about Anglicanism – even if you’ve been in the Anglican Church your whole life! Sign up to attend in person or online [here](#).

Monthly Meetings

Community Groups: Come to one of our Community Groups this month! Community Groups consist of 25–40 people who often live in the same part of town and meet monthly for fellowship and snacks or a meal. Location generally varies each month, so reach out to the leader for more info. Below are the meeting dates for November:

- **Southeast/Zoom Community Group:** Sunday, November 21, immediately after church. Contact Cindy Hughes–Davis for details at shallpass1@icloud.com.

Ways to Serve

Citrus Home at Tacachale: As we do every year, we’ve reached out to the Citrus Home at Tacachale to see how we might bless the men who reside there this Christmas. We won’t be able to carol at their home this year due to COVID, but we can send gifts! Sign up [here](#) and choose one of the men, then get one of the gifts from his list. Gifts are due by December 5. Contact Tracy La Cagnina with questions at admin@servantsanglican.org.

Pray for the Persecuted Church: This November, we’d like to let you know how you can pray for the persecuted Church around the world. We already list one country from OpenDoors’ World Watch List in our prayers each week, but there are many more needs. You can visit [OpenDoors](#) or [Voice of the Martyrs](#) to learn how you can pray or give to help fellow believers.

Freedom to Invest Initiative: Our vestry has announced an initiative

to pay off our mortgage and to invite all our attendees to pray about investing in the future of Servants. As we pay down the principal on our mortgage, funds will be freed up for the church invest in ministry spaces and more! To give go to servantsanglican.org/give. When you designate to give to the campaign, you can track how much you've given and how close we are to our goal!

Financial Update

We know that money talk can be a real turn-off. We rarely talk about it, but we always include this as a way to be transparent to our parish. Amounts are current as of November 14.

2022 Budget YTD: \$136,064

2022 Giving YTD: \$114,354

Freedom to Invest Initiative (September 12, 2021–March 15, 2023)

Goal: \$526,000

Raised: \$17,099 (3%)